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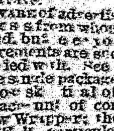
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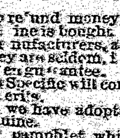
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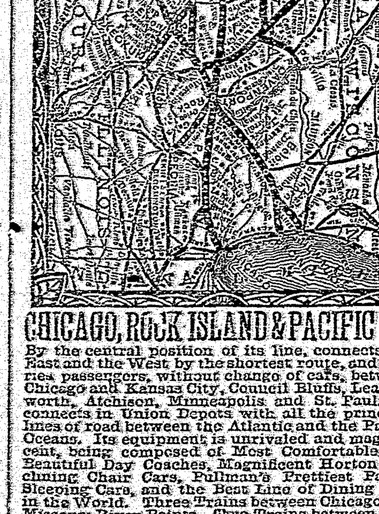
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LITTLE FEET.

Two little feet so small that both may nestle
In one caressing hand,
Two tender feet upon the untried border
Of life's mysterious land.

Dimpled and soft and pink as peach tree blossoms
In April's fragrant days;
How can they walk among the briery tangle
Edging the world's rough ways?

These white rose feet along the doubtful future
Must bear a woman's load;
Alas! since woman has the heaviest burden
And walks the hardest road.

Love for awhile will make the path before them
All dainty, smooth and fair—
Will cull away the bramble, letting only
The roses blossom there.

But when the mother's watchful eyes are shrouded
Away from the sight of men,
And these dear feet are left without her guiding,
Who shall direct them then?

Will they go stumbling blindly in the darkness
Of sorrow's tearful shades,
Or find the upland slopes of peace and beauty,
Whose sunlight never fades?

How shall it be with her, the tender stranger,
Fair face and gentle-eyed,
Before whose unstained feet the world's rude highway
Stretches so strange and wide?

Ah! who may read the future? For our darling
We crave all blessings sweet,
And pray that He who feeds the crying ravens
Will guide the baby's feet.

FLORENCE PERCY.

MAHALA'S DAUGHTER.

BY J. L. HARBOUR.

"No," said our quaint, garrulous, cheery old visitor, Aunt Dorcas Mason, who came once a month to spend the day with us, and was ever welcome. "No, she wa'n't Mahaly Doolittle's own daughter; she wa'n't even a blood connexion o' any kind; but ev'rybody called Cicely Mahaly Doolittle's girl. No; law bless you! Mahaly wa'n't even married.

"It did seem kind o' cur'us to folks at first when little Cicely commenced to toddle 'round, an' lisp out 'mamma' to an old maid like Mahaly. But us Elderville folks got used to it, so that arfter awhile it sounded as natural as if the child had been Mahaly's own flesh and blood.

"Mahaly's not marryin', cheated some man out of an amazin' good wife; fer she was sharper 'n tacks, an' gritty as ever they make 'em. An' there wa'n't airy woman 'round Elderville that could beat her housekeepin'. I tell you, Mahaly'd kep' up her end o' the row 'long with airy man that ever drawed the breath o' life. There was many a young feller that'd liked well 'nough to shine up to Mahaly, but it wa'n't no use; she'd turn up her nose at the best of 'em. Not that she was flirty an' giddy like, for it didn't run in the Doolittles to be that way.

"You see, she'd give her heart away once, an' with her they was no takin' it back, not fer the best man that ever went a-sparkin'.

"Mahaly was only twenty when her an' Dave Bascom promised themselves to each other. Dave hadn't nothin' to speak of, an' was only turned of twenty-one, an' they was sens'ible 'nough to think that they could wait till they'd got a little start. Tho' Mahaly's folks was willin' fer 'em to marry, an' live with them, Mahaly bein' the only child, an' the apple o' old Simon and Susan Doolittle's eyes.

"Dave he was too high-sperrited to live off'n the old folks, an' Mahaly backed him up in it. They were proud as peacocks, and that's where they was simpletons, 'cordin' to my thinkin', fer Dave could o' more'n earned his board any day on the big Doolittle farm, an' would o' done more'n two hired hands.

"Then, I reckon, he an' Mahaly thought folks'd talk an' gab, as folks will that aint nothin' else to do but to run down their betters; so Dave stid. o' marryin' 'Haly off hand, packs up the few traps he had, an' puts off to Calaforny. An' there he stayed, an' stayed, an' stayed, an' only one or two letters come from him, an' them right after he got there.

"Then there comes news o' some awful Injun massakers in the neighborhood where Dave was, an' a man who nearly got his own skelp took, writ to some in Elderville that there wa'n't hide nor hair left o' airy man in the camp Dave was in.

"Well, 'fore Dave'd been gone a year, old Simon Doolittle fell dead with apoplexy, an' poor old Susan didn't live but ten days afterward; so there was Malahy, only twenty-one, alone in the world, an' owner o' the best farm an' stock 'round Elderville.

"Some o' old Simon's help had been with him for years, an' they was faithful as people could be to Mahaly. Then a great aunt o' hers, Hitty Plumm, lost her man, an' didn't have no home, nor no children, so Mahaly took her in; but, 'fore a month, poor old Aunt Hitty was flat on her back with the palsy, limp as a rag, an' not a mite o' use o' one hull side o' her.

"Mahaly tended that old woman night an' day like as if she 'd been her own daughter, an' the poor mortal hung on the hull winter an' clean into May.

"It must o' been a comfort to Mahaly when Aunt Hitty died. But nobody ever heerd her say so; an' she had the old lady laid out in as purty a white merino shroud with white satin ribbons, an' as purty a coffin as ever you laid eyes on.

"I rid to the funeral with Mahaly, an' comin' home she cried quiet an' pitiful like, and said as how she felt so alone in the world with even Aunt Hitty gone. She didn't know jest what she would do for comp'ny. She thought some, she said, o' going to some big city where there was so many poor, homeless, helpless, sufferin' little souls tossin' an' tumblin' 'round in this wicked world with no one to so much as lift a finger to save 'em from the sin an' sorrer before 'em. Mahaly thought o' gettin' a little boy or girl, or mebbe both, an' raisin' 'em as her own. She said she'd never marry now."

"Well, mind you, when we got home, there was a bundle on the front porch in an old red an' yellar shawl; an' Cicely was in that bundle. She was only; we jedged, 'bout three weeks old. There wa'n't a thing in the world to give us a hint o' who her pa 'n ma was, no more'n if she never had any. Mahaly said right there that she hoped she never *would* know more'n she knowed then 'bout the child's kin. She 'dopted her right off, namin' her Cicely Rose, an' was mother an' father an' sister an' brother to the forlorn little thing.

"It was so out o' the common run of things to see that young girl o' twenty-one bendin' over that child's cradle, an' callin' herself 'mamma,' an' the child her 'own dear baby,' an' all that.

"The child was purty as a pink. She'd eyes and cheeks like a chany doll. She stood alone at nine months, an' begun to talk at a year. She had that yallerish, reddish hair, kind o' curly like, that not one in a thousand has; an' purty, nice, finicky little ways o' sayin' and doin' things that showed she wa'n't any common stock.

"I mind me now, how I've passed by Mahaly's a-many an' a-many time, an' seen Cicely a-standin' at the gate with her [illegible] stuck through the palin's, and her big eyes a-twinklin'. An' she'd say the oddest things in the funniest way. She was a powerful smart child.

"An', my land! the store Mahaly Doolittle set by that child. She coulnd't a' thought more o' one o' her own, not if she'd had twenty-five. She acted as if the sun rose and set in that child!

"I've seen her cry an' carry on like a crazy person when Cicely was sick. It beat all! Once the child got mighty low with the hoopin' cough, an' me an' Temp'rance Taft we set up there; an' 'Haly walked the floor the blessed night, 'cept when she'd dump herself down 'fore chairs an' fall to prayer for her child—her 'heart's treasure,' as she called Cicely. When the child had a spell of coughin' Mahaly'd wring her hands an' sob out pitiful to hear.

"They say she hugged and kissed old Dr. Wintergreen, when he said Cicely'd get well, an' that Wintergreen he hugged an' kissed back; and they was some talk 'bout 'em makin' a match, him bein' a widderwer, an' half cracked to marry agin. But, law me! I knew better. Poor Mahaly was that grateful over Cicely gitting well, she'd o' hugged an' kissed a steer; an' Wintergreen was like any other crazy old widderwer, tickled fit to kill if a woman looked at 'im—tho' you could o' heerd 'im beller half a mile when Mis Wintergreen was buried. The docter he was allus getting up new kinds o' bitters an' intments an' tonics an' plasters, an' tryin' 'em on Mis Wintergreen first, an' she was gump 'nough to let him do it; for she thought 'the Doctor' knowed more'n any other ten doctors in Sangamon county. An' there she'd go 'round with plaster an' intments all over her, an' gag over his 'drops' an' 'elixirs,' when they wa'n't a thing under the shinin' sun the matter of her. They say she died o' general debility, an' I recken she did. So would a hoss. But Wintergreen was a real good-hearted old body. He was as good as puddin' to Mahaly when the poor woman's heart was breakin'.

"Little Cicely was nearly ten years old 'fore Mahaly told her that she wa'n't her own mother. Folks knowed that Mahaly wanted it kep' as long as she could from the child. But, of course, she had to know it some time, fer children will ask questions, an' there was ev'rybody calling Mahaly, '*Mis* Mahaly,' you know, an' a purty goose of a child it'd be that wouldn't ask questions, eh?

"So Cicely growed up to be sixteen, an' a purtier girl never danced to an Elderville party. She did have the sweetest eyes I ever looked into. They was big an' blue, with a kind of appealin', trustful look in 'em that made one love the girl. Her yaller baby-hair stayed with her always. It was as silky and yaller an' bright when she was seventeen as when she was little more'n a baby. She kep' her innercent baby-face all through her girlhood days. I never in all my born days see a more perfectly innercent beautiful face! She looked as if the very thought o' sin was furrin to her heart. I used to think to myself that if ever they was an ondefiled heart and a pure soul, that heart an' soul belonged to Cicely Doolittle. I allus felt a kind of a rev'rence, so to speak, for her girlish purity an' innercence. It did seem to me as if God had reely 'given His angels charge concerning her.' He seemed to have her close to Hisself.

"When Mahaly was thirty-nine an' Cicely past seventeen, a funny circumstance happened. I was sewin' at Mahaly's at the time, a-makin' Cicely a mighty purty buff shally delaine, with a tiny bit of a pink figger in it and a raised green silk leaf.

"It was her first real long dress, an' she didn't like it. I mind now how she put her arms 'round Mahaly an' kissed her, sayin' she couldn't feel like she was Mahaly's little girl any more in that dress.

"I know Mahaly told her she must begin to be a woman now; but when Cicely'd gone a-singin' down cellar after a mince pie fer dinner, Mahaly come an' whispered to me to run some little tucks under the broad bands o' velvet an' turn the skirt in a little more at the top.

"Well, while I was stitchin' away at the dress there comes a knock at the door, an' 'fore Mahaly could open it, in comes a tall, bearded, fine-lookin' man of 'bout forty. Mahaly was unrollin' the velvet from the pasteboard, an' when that man comes in she turned as white as a sheet for a second, an' seemed ready to faint. Then she tried to say somethin', but couldn't; an' in another minnit her an' that feller had their arms 'round each other, an' was huggin' 'way like sixty.

"I had sense 'nough to know that my room was better'n my comp'ny 'bout that time, so I grabbed up my work an' put off out into the kitchen, where Cicely was settin' the table fer dinner. She'd got a sight o' the doin's in the front room, an' I mind how I bust out laffin' when she said so innercently:

"'Why, Miss Dorcas, who on earth is that man kissin' my ma?'

"We didn't know for half an hour that that man was Dave Bascom.

"It was a long story he had to tell, 'bout how he'd been clean crost seas, an' into furrin' parts. He got word while he was in Calaforny that Mahaly was dead. She was mighty low of a fever for a long time, just after her folks died. They was several times when it got out in Elderville that she was dyin'; an' some busybody couldn't wait till the poor girl was clean gone, but had to write to David that she was reely dead. He said he'd writ three times fer perticklers, an' got no answer. Letters got lost oftener them days than they do now, an' Mahaly hadn't got his'n. Elderville was a little, out-of-the-way place, with only one mail a week, an' Dave he had to send his letters nearly a hundred miles to post 'em. The Injuns got away with many a mail bag, too. Neither Mahaly nor David was great hands for scribblin'. Then they was promised to each other, anyhow, an' I reckon they thought courtin' by mail didn't 'mount to much.

"An' so, 'tween letters that did go an' letters that didn't, David an' Mahaly'd been kep' apart fer nigh onto twenty years; an' neither of 'em had seen fit to marry anybody else. They 'peared to set as much store by each other at forty as they had when they was half that old; an' the way they went 'round there like young lovers was enough to make one split laffin'.

"So I wa'n't a bit s'prised when Mahaly comes an' bespeaks two weeks o' my time to sew on her weddin' outfit. They was goin' to marry in May, an' that was the middle o' Aprile.

"Cicely didn't at first seem to take to David, an' fought kind o' shy o' him. I used to tease her, an' tell her she was jealous; an' she'd laugh an' say she was.

"But she soon got to be great friends with Dave, an' that tickled Mahaly. She throwed 'em together as much as she could, an' they'd go strollin' arm-in-arm all over the country; an' some folks did talk some 'bout it; but I'd shet 'em up mighty quick if I heerd 'em. It seemed nateral an' right 'nough to me, seein' that David was old 'nough to be Cicely's father, an' that was what he was reely goin' to be, so to speak.

"Many's the time, when 'Haly an' me was busy sewin', have I heerd her say in her joky way:

"'Come now, David, you an' Cicely go down to the medder back o' the orchard, an' see if the fence ain't down some place.'

"Or it'd be:

"'Now, Cicely, you an' David go over on the hills, an' see if the daisies an' Johnny-jump-ups are plenty 'nough for a nosegay. Dorcas an' me are busy an' we won't have you 'round in the way. Clear out!'

"An' that's the way she'd send 'em off. An' once, 'bout a week 'fore the day set for the weddin', when we was real busy, an' real merry over our work, David was fingerin' the things in 'Haly's work-basket. He'd got her cotton an' silk thread in an awful snarl, an' she, bein' uncommon cutty-up like that day, gives him a smart box on the years an' says to Cicely, says she:

"'Come, Cicely, you an' yer father take my basket out under the apple trees, so's to be out of the way, an' straighten it up. Somethin' must be done to get this little boy out of the way or Dorcas an' me'll get nothin' done.'

"Well, I minded afterward how Cicely got redder'n a beet when Mahaly said 'yer father,' an' David shifted 'round oneasy like. But they took the basket, an' went out together.

"'The dear souls!' Mahaly said, as tenderly watchin' 'em out o' sight. 'I'm so glad, Dorcas, that my Cicely thinks so much o' David. An' he thinks a sight o' her. He's told me so often. We'll all live together so happily here!'

"The tears ackshilly stood in her eyes she was that happy. Purty soon she said:

"'God is good, Dorcas. I've been wicked an' ongrateful 'nough to think he wasn't sometimes, when I was troubled an' vexed. But oh! Dorcas, for all our earthly troubles and trials, there is recompense sometime, somewhere. If it don't come here, it'll come in the blessed Hereafter. My recompense has come now. David Bascom has come home to me, an' I am to be his wife. David an' Cicely! In them is my earthly joy an' rest an' peace!'

"I worked nearly all night the night but one 'fore the weddin' day. David had a likin' fer purty dresses fer a woman, an' 'Haly'd sent clean to Boston fer weddin' an' infair dresses. She did reely look like a girl o' twenty-five in her weddin' dress. It was a beautiful laylock silk—an' was most becoming to her—with lots o' real point lace at the throat and sleeves. She didn't allow to wear no veil, an' I was savin' all the blush roses I had on some bushes I'd kep' in the house all winter. I allowed to dress her hair with them an' some lilies o' the valley, an' put 'em in 'long with the lace at her throat. I knew she'd o' looked real snipshus. She'd awful nice wavy brown hair, an' not a streak o' gray in it.

"The weddin' was to be on the twenty-fifth o' May. I was stayin' night an' day at the house, an' Mahaly an' me allus got up an' got breakfast. She would have it that young people needed all the sleep they could get, an' so wouldn't call Cicely only in time for breakfast; an' she needn't get up then if she didn't please to. I reckon Mahaly hadn't failed to slip into Cicely's room an' kiss her good mornin', in the hull seventeen years o' the girl's life.

"The mornin' of the twenty-fourth it was she tip-toed into Cicely's room jest 'fore breakfast, an' in a minnit I heerd a scream that was the most pitiful, painful, heart-rendin' thing I ever heerd in my life. I rushed acrost the hall an' into Cicely's room. There was no one in it but Mahaly, an' she lay flat on the floor, with a face that wa'n't whiter when she lad dead than it was that minnit. Her eyes was wide open an' starin' in the most horrible way at nothin'. She'd a bit o' writin' paper tight in her clenched hand. She let me read it after a good many days. It read:

"'DEAR, DEAR, DEAR MAMMA: I can not write or think of anything but that I am going away with David to be his wife. We love each other so. Forgive me, if you can, dear mamma. I love an' bless you for all your loving kindness to me. Please forgive me. I love you, I love you. Do forgive

"'DAVID AND CICELY.'

"There were tear-stains on the paper, an' we could see that the lines had been written with a tremblin' hand. But how my heart hardened against that girl as I knelt over Mahaly, layin' there with her very soul an' body whritin' in agony! There was a kind of a speechless cry of a broken heart 'round the poor soul's quiverin' lips. An' oh! the eyes of wretchedness an' despair that she turned toward me in that hour! Poor soul! poor soul! My heart ached so fer her!

"I lifted her onto the purty white bed on which Cicely had slep' fer so many years. She turned her poor white face wearily to the wall, an' I stole out an' left her alone. I had an idee it was the kindest an' best thing to do.

"Old Doctor Wintergreen was passin'. I called him in, an' told him as best I could what had happened, an' sent him 'round to tell folks that ther'd be no weddin'. It was mighty hard, but it *had* to be done. There was no gettin' out of it. An' I tell you, I didn't spare that Cicely! I couldn't soften my heart toward her.

"I bustled 'round, an' got all the weddin' doins out o' sight; an' I tell you I fairly blubbered right out when it come to foldin' up the purty weddin' gown an' layin' it away. It seemed as if I was handlin' dead people's garments.

"After an hour or two I slipped into the room where Mahaly was. She lay just as I'd left her, an' I thought for a minnit she'd gone where broken hearts are filled with joy, an' tears are wiped from every eye. But as I bent over her she turned her dry eyes toward me. I wanted to say somethin' or do somethin' fer the poor body. I took her up in my arms. She looked at me a minnit, an' all of a sudden the drawn, pitiful look left her white face, an' she whispered:

"'Surely He hath borne our griefs.'

"An' then I knowed that there had come to her the everlastin' love, the love that is never weary an' cannot fail us, the love an' tenderness an' pity of our Lord.

"Well, I was that runnin' over full of my hate of Cicely that I couldn't keep it in. I burned to say all I wanted to 'bout her, but didn't dast to with Mahaly's pleadin' eyes on me.

"A purty pink mull dress that I'd made fer the girl to wear at the weddin' was layin' with its bright ribbons over a chair, waitin' fer the finishin' teches. I rolled it up in a bundle an' give it a spiteful fling into a corner. Poor Mahalay give a little cry as if she'd been struck, an' staggered acrost the floor, an' took the dress up as tenderly as if it had been a living thing.

"'My poor little Cicely,' she said. 'Poor child! poor girl!' Then I knowed that I'd better keep my mouth shet if I hadn't any good to say o' Cicely Doolittle.

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"In a little more'n a year from that time, I was with my folks on my way West; an' Mahalay Doolittle was with us. Father he'd got a Western fever, an' was all fer takin' up homestead land in Kansas or Nebraska.

"Mahalay had tried to live on alone at her place, but couldn't. She'd no heart to see to things like she once had, an' I think she got older that twenty-fourth of May than in any ten years o' her life. The drawn, pained look never quite left her face; there was an' everlastin' quiver 'bout her lips, an' the pink flush never came back to her cheeks. It didn't take long fer the silver to come into her hair.

"We never heerd a word o' Cicely an' David, an' never mentioned 'em, no more'n if they'd never been born—which I wish they hadn't.

"I was years younger'n Mahaly, but as I'd been with her in her worst trouble, it seemed to kind o' bind me to her; an' my father an' mother had knowed her folks all their days, she used to say that we seemed like her own kin. So when father talked 'bout movin' West, Mahaly said she wanted to go, too. She said she longed to go away—the further the better.

"So she sold off her place an' things, 'ceptin' what she made free gifts of to some of the hands that'd lived for years with her. She'd no kin nearer'n forty-second cousins, anyhow.

"A blazin' June day found us out on the Kansas plains. Father'd got the Colorado fever by his time, an' was goin' on there. Hundreds o' people were westward bound then. The wide, forlorn, plains were dotted with long trains o' white covered wagons. That June day 'bout tuckered us all out. The skies were like brass. There wasn't a breath o' wind. The gray dust lay thick on the few parched leaves of grass by the roadside. It was terrible! Just 'fore sun down we camped near a little stream we had been glad to find.

"There was an old, covered, shackelfied, clap-trap of a wagon with a broken wheel, near this little patch o' green grass, an' a sick lookin', half-starved old mule tied with a piece of rope to a wheel of the wagon. A bony cow was picketed on the grass.

"When Sam, our man, came back, he said:

"'I reckon them folks over there's got 'nough o' the West. I'm thinkin' the next homestead they'll take up'll be up there;' an' he pointed his hand to the sky. 'They say they come out here in Aprile, an' haint seen a well day since. You know it rained the hull o' Aprile, an' a cold rain at that. They're in a mighty hard row o' stumps, I take it. Poor devils! The woman's down sick, in the purty nigh empty old wagon, on an old straw tick. She's got chills an' fever; an' the man's half dead, but tryin' to crawl 'round an' fry a bit o' bacon. I think it's ev'ry bite they've got to eat. No wonder the poor cuss says that he's had nothin' but hard luck for a year back. The wust of it, they've got a baby, too!'

"All the time Sam was talkin', mother was packin' a basket o' vittles; for we had a plenty, and good, too. Mahaly and me took the basket, an' went over to the old wagon. We heerd the feeble cry of a sickly baby 'fore we reached the wagon. Poor little thing. That was the last cry it made 'fore its little sickly life went out.

"'Poor child! Poor little thing!' Mahaly said, an' stepped on faster.

"The front curtain o' the wagon was open. I clim up on the tongue, an' looked in. No mortal human can know how I felt, when I saw David Bascom on his knees in the bottom o' that wagon, tryin' to give Cicely a sip o' black coffee out of an old tin cup!

"Mahaly was climbing up on the other side o' me. I pushed her back.

"'Mahaly Doolittle?' I cried, 'for the Lord's sake, come away! come away! Don't look into that wagon; don't, don't!'

"I tried to hold her, but she broke away from me with a frightened look in her eyes. In another minnit she saw all I had seen.

"I ran back to our wagon, and told my news. In a little while mother an' me went over to David's wagon. He was not there, but Mahaly was sitting with poor Cicely's white face on her breast. Their arms were 'round each other, an' Mahaly's cheek was pressed close to Cicely's. The little baby girl had gone to the One that gathers the young lambs in His bosom.

"I'd said a thousand times that I never, never would forgive Cicely Doolittle under any circumstances. Poor child! My heart was full o' pity an' forgiveness when I saw her there in Mahaly's arms, with the life nearly gone from her sickly, suff'rin' body. She was so poor an' pale an' pitiful lookin'. Not a bit o' the beautiful girlish bloom left, an' the child-like beauty all gone from the young face. But the old pleadin' look was in the blue eyes, an' the purty hair had last none o' its beauty. She put out her hand to me as I knelt beside her, but drew it away to stroke Mahaly's bowed head.

"Purty soon David came into the wagon; the wretchedest lookin' mortal, I reckon, that ever suffered penance fer his sins. His wife's hands grasped his; she tried to speak, but could not; an' so, with her eyes rovin' from Mahaly to David, Cicely died.

"When mornin' came, David Bascom had gone, an' from that day to this I never heerd tell o' him. Him I never did forgive.

"We buried Cicely an' the baby close to the runnin' stream, under the only tree fer miles 'round. Next day we started on with Mahaly layin' weak an' pallid on a bed in the wagon. She hadn't spoken a word since we left her with the tears fallin' on Cicely's dead face, an' heerd her cry o' mortal agony then. But at noon she motioned me toward her an' whispered:

"Go back, go back. Put me by Cicely! An' next day we laid her there, with a look of peace on her face such as never could have come to it in this world—a look that comes only to those who are at their death made perfect in holiness!"—*Our Continent.*

Against American Products.

A Washington dispatch says: One of the most important and fruitful passages in President Arthur's last Message is that in which he alluded to the invidious distinctions made against American products by foreign governments, and suggested "some measures of equitable retaliation." The President said, "I have alluded in my previous messages to the injurious and vexatious restrictions suffered by our trade in the Spanish West Indies. Brazil, whose natural outlet for its great national staple, coffee, is in and through the United States, imposes a heavy export duty upon that product. Our petroleum exports are hampered in Turkey and in other Eastern ports by restrictions as to storage and by onerous taxation. For these mischiefs adequate relief is not always afforded by reciprocity treaties like that with Hawaii, or that lately negotiated with Mexico and now awaiting action of the Senate. Is it not wise to adopt some measure of equitable retaliation in our relations with governments which discriminate against our own? If, for example, the Executive were empowered to apply to Spanish vessels and cargoes from Cuba and Puerto Rico the same rules of treatment and scale of penalties for technical faults which are applied to our vessels and cargoes in the Antilles, a resort to that course might not be barren of good results."

This was sent to Congress in December, and before the middle of January we have already seen Spain declare her readiness to remedy the abuses to which the President called the attention of Congress, France getting ready to do the same; and now Prince Bismarck is reported to be engaged in modifying his prohibitory measures against American pork. This action of Germany comes none too soon, for the President's suggestion of "equitable retaliation" has attracted very wide attention and approval all over the country. Members of Congress received numbers of letters from their constituents urging action upon the matter. The Foreign Affairs Committee of the House has the question in hand, and Mr. Curtain, the chairman of that committee, is understood to hold that unless France and Germany do us justice he is strongly in favor of laying an embargo upon all imports from those countries, which would undoubtedly be an inconvenience to us, but a much greater one to them.

United States Notes.

The Secretary of the Treasury has written a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives in regard to the issue of United States notes, in which he says that since the suspension by the national banks of the issue of one and two dollar notes, in accordance with section 5,175 of the Revised Statutes, which went into effect Jan. 1, 1879, the demand for United States notes of these denominations has greatly increased. Assuming that the demand will not be less for the last half of the fiscal year than it has been for the first half, the Secretary says it is manifest that the present appropriation is far less than is necessary to supply the demand for them and for the notes of other denominations, with the gold and silver certificates. The demand for silver certificates has nearly exhausted the reserve. An additional appropriation is also necessary for the redemption of worn, mutilated, or defaced notes and to supply the demand for gold and silver certificates during the current fiscal year. The Secretary says: "If no further appropriation is made that the department will be compelled, in order to keep in circulation the amount of United States notes required by act of Congress and to keep within the present appropriation, to suspend or reduce the issue of ones and twos. The cost of printing a one-dollar note and a one-thousand-dollar note is the same. It is believed that the present appropriation is sufficient to supply the demand for gold and silver certificates and for United States notes of denominations of $5 and upward. If the demand for lower denominations is to be answered as heretofore, an additional appropriation of at least $150,000 is required."

Murder of Six Girls in Russia.

An Odessa letter to the London *Daily News* says: A few days ago seven girls, employed at a sugar factory in Balta, left that town in the evening to return to their native village at some distance. The girls, belated on the way, resolved to pass the night in the fields and proceed at daybreak. They had located themselves near a haystack in a field adjoining the highway, and, having some slight fears of robbery, placed their united week's earnings in the hands of one of their number for greater safety. The unfortunate girls were all fast asleep, when they were tracked by a number of young men. The girl who had secreted the money in her dress had taken the precaution to cover herself with hay. The miscreants, finding no money on the persons of the other six girls, murdered them in cold blood. They then fired the stack, and in the conflagration and smoke the surviving and terrified girl effected her escape and reached the village in safety. An alarm was given, and the murderous band were all arrested. The survivor had recognized the murderers, who were all employed in the same factory as their victims.

A Duped Tradesman.

In London, lately, two well-dressed men entered the shop of a fashionable tradesman and asked to see the chief of the establishment, whom they privately informed that they were detectives from Scotland Yard. The men said that from information received they knew that two "swell women" would drive up to the shop in a brougham and order drapery to a large amount, paying for the same with a forged check for £50, bearing the name of a well-known nobleman. It would, however, be necessary, in order to properly convict the women, to allow them to carry the goods off with them, and take the change of the check. But in order that they should not escape, the detectives were to have a hansom with a fast horse, to follow the brougham and take the ladies into custody. The officers took their stand behind the counter; the "ladies" came, ordered the goods, and tendered the check. They received the change and goods, and drove off. The detectives immediately followed in their hansom, with the "fast horse." The tradesman is still waiting for the goods.

IT IS said that the dome of the Capitol at Washington is haunted. Strange noises are heard there nightly. Perhaps it is the Goddess of Liberty shuddering at some of the scenes she is forced to witness down-stairs.

MR. TALMAGE ON HEREDITY.

He Tells a Story About the Founder of a Wealthy City Family.

Mr. Talmage on Sunday, in his morning sermon, told the story of Goliah and David, taking for his text I Samuel xvii., 58, "Whose son art thou, young man?" being the words of King Saul to young David after he had slain the mighty warrior.

"Saul desired to know David's parentage. This question of heredity is a great one. The longer I live, the more I believe in blood, good blood, bad blood, honest blood and thieving blood. 'Well, if this is true,' I hear you say, 'then I am discharged from all responsibility. If I came of a pious parentage, I am bound to be pious; if I came of an unreligious parentage, I am bound to be unreligious.' All erroneous. If you have the heritage of piety, it is your duty to preserve that heritage. If you came of vicious parentage, it is your duty to use every endeavor to attain piety.

"The power of heredity is very great, and is hard to overcome. There is a family in New York which has been rolling up wealth for a century which was founded by a man who, after achieving great riches, sent back to the store a package of tacks because it cost two cents more than he expected. Gripping, grinding and gouging in the fourth generation, and I suppose gripping, grinding and gouging in the twentieth generation. If the family trait be temper, teach yourself to count a hundred both ways before making an impertinent answer, and when you write an angry letter, keep it for a week before you send it, and then burn it up.

"A good many think religion is a nod we must give to Christ as we pass through the celestial gates, as though it were a ticket we must not use at all except at the doors of heaven.

"As far as I can I am going to introduce a new element into business," he continued. "You have wealth, prudence, economy, industry and perseverence; you must have something mightier than all—godliness. You say Godliness is profitable in its eternal relations. Yes; there is a good deal of the religion of the coffin, of the hearse and of the graveyard. That amounts to very little. What we want is a religion of the home, the bank, the warehouse and the store; a religion for everything we have to do with—the brain, the hand and the foot. I don't want to cast a slur on post-mortem religion, but I want to utilize antemortem religion; a religion for every month in the year: if it will not last through the year it is no religion at all.

"In the first place, religion is good for the physical health. I don't mean to say it will restore a broken-down constitution, or drive rheumatism from the limbs, or neuralgia from the temples; but I do say the whole tendency of the Christian religion is to make a man healthy. Religion is good for the intellect. Many think a man becoming a Christian enters into a dwarfing process. Christianity is the central figure on the promontory where Philosophy has lighted her torch. Religion has helped poetry; look at Young's 'Night Thoughts' and Milton's 'Paradise Lost.' The religion of Jesus Christ has done more for the intellect than anything else. If you don't use your religion every day you are like one having 5,000 acres of valuable wheat land who only cultivates a quarter of an acre. A man who gets religion at fifty gets it fifty years too late."

Gambling at Sea.

After a trip to Europe, the Rev. Dr. Charles S. Robinson has something to say about gambling on shipboard. He thinks that one of the most annoying and demoralizing of all experiences in crossing the ocean nowadays is the betting of the passengers, the making up of pools, and the laying of wagers concerning the arrival of the pilot, the figure on the sail of his boat, and the extent of of the ship's daily run. From the morning of the second day to the evening of the last before entering the harbor, he heard one tiresome clamor for passengers to "take numbers." At noon, when the bulletin of miles made is posted, the ship is in an uproar, and men come into the luncheon, red-faced and enthusiastic with success, or clouded with anger, under a sense of having been cheated; and that meal is vociferous with spiteful discussion, with accusations of dishonesty, and with disputes as to whether some "ring" which has been fortunate has not been in with the Captain or doctoring the log-book. Dr. Robinson likes a cigar after dinner; but he found the smoking room "a noisy, stenchful pandemonium of drinking, betting, gambling, with cards and dice, into which no decent person can enter without receiving an offence, and in which no peace-loving person can stay without exasperation." The ships are sought by rich and loose young men; and so the professional gamblers gather there.

A Tramp's Life.

Tramp life, as actually enjoyed by a man who was once a business man in New York, was described to a *Rocky Mountain News* reporter. The tramp's father, a New York State farmer, sent the boy to New York city, where he went into business. Some years later the young man married his partner's wife's sister. The partner absconded with the firm's means; the tramp then fell in love with an actress, and ran away with her; then his wife and children died and his father was bankrupted, and the son went to Chicago, but could not get employment. He pushed on to Leadville and got a job, but lost it, and then tramped to Denver, and there resolved to do no more work, work being, in his view, slavery. He said: "I don't often ask for money; I've got clothes, and I get my board; nobody gets much more. My philosophy is, 'Don't worry; don't fret. What have I to get low-spirited about? I get the air that's free and the water that's free, and eating?—well, I live.' I usually carry about $20 in my pocket. You can't vag a man with $20 as a visible means of support. I don't trouble anybody, I don't drink, and I never steal anything. The police never trouble me, and I usually find some place to sleep."

A MAN in a Maine town met a prominent physician and said: "I was dreadful sick last night, and would have sent for you, doctor, only I hated to have my old mare go out on such a stormy night." Perhaps that doctor felt elated at the remark and perhaps he didn't.

SHAFTING.—The *Engineering Review* says that the frequent use of the indicator for determining the amount of power consumed in driving shafting is of great value. From not less than 30 to 50 per cent. of the power of engines is ordinarily used for this purpose.

Oxford County Advertiser.

[Entered as Second Class mail matter.]

FRIDAY, JANUARY 18, 1884.

This paper has a larger circulation and more readers than any other paper printed in Oxford County. Rates of advertising reasonable and made known on application.

The Canton *Telephone* has twice been enlarged in the past year. It is a good local sheet. Mr. Carver also publishes the Livermore Falls *Guest*. Business seems to be brisk with him. Success to both of them.

The Poultry *World* is the standard monthly for "fanciers" and those interested in breeding blooded fowls. The January number appears in a very attractive cover and is filled with valuable information. Subscription $1.25 per year; chromo edition $2.00. Address H. H. Stoddard Hartford Conn.

We notice that our townsman Hon. A. S. Kimball is nominated by a correspondent in the Boston *Post* for the Democratic candidate for Governor of the State of Maine. To our mind the democrats might go farther and fare worse than in the selection of Mr. Kimball, of Norway, for their next standard bearer.

The notice of the opening of the spring term of school at the New Hampshire (N. H.) Institution and Commercial College appears in another column. This is one of the oldest and best fitting schools in New England. Its Commercial College is equalled by no other. It gives actual business training at an expense that is within the reach of all. The catalogue of last year shows some 70 odd students from Maine who attended this school. All scholars who have been there are enthusiastic in their praise of the school.

Mrs. Valeria G. Stone, who died last Tuesday morning at the residence of Mr. Asa R. Brown, Malden, Mass., was born in Brownfield in 1803, received her education at Fryeburg, and later was united in marriage to Mr. Daniel T. Stone. She gave most of her fortune, some $2,000,000 which was left to her by her husband some years ago, to educational and religious purposes. Among this number Fryeburg Academy receives a gift of $10,000.

The absent "Waterford Girls" would like to assist in the coming Re-union. No doubt they figured extensively in the happy days of long ago and it is proper that they should now claim a part in the festivities of the thirteenth of February. No doubt in this as formerly "the girls" will have their say and act well their parts regardless of whatever program that may be mapped out. Will not some one second the motion of the communication of the "Waterford Girl" in another column?

The Spring term of the Bridgton Academy begins Tuesday Jan. 29. The reputation of this school is equalled by few if any similar institution in the State. We are of the opinion that this school rather takes the lead. It has an able corps of instructors. The expenses of a term are light. The location is healthy and on the whole it is a good place to attend school. Those who have children to educate will do well to read ad. in another column and send to the Secretary for catalogue and such other information as may be desired.

The Re-Union of the Students of Dr. True.

GOULD'S ACADEMY, BETHEL, FEB. 22.

Circulars have been issued calling a re-union of Dr. N. T. True's scholars to take place in Bethel, Feb. 22d. This circular will not be sent to those who take the ADVERTISER, as this is published expressly for them, to save the personal notice, and it is hoped every one will take hold and by every means in their power make it a perfect success. If any have knowledge of the present address of any of their old schoolmates, not likely to be found here, a circular will be mailed to them on receipt of their address on Postal Card, and any correspondence in regard to the proper observance of the day and evening, will be gratefully received and promptly attended to by Mr. A. S. Twitchell, Gorham, N. H., who desires to get the address of all that it is possible to obtain.

MOUNTAINEER OFFICE,
GORHAM, COOS CO., N. H.,
Dec. 22d, 1883.

DEAR SCHOOLMATES:—Quite a number of those who have been pupils of Dr. N. T. True of Bethel, Me., having expressed a desire to hold a Re-union, and to present to their honored teacher some testimonial of their regard for his faithfulness during their school-days, while taught by him, and of their sympathy in his present illness. it has been thought proper to invite all whom we can now find, by such notice as we are able to give, to meet at "Old Gould's Academy," in Bethel, on Friday, the 22d day of February next, afternoon and evening, and there join in such exercises as, for that time and occasion, may be deemed proper. For this purpose your presence then and there is earnestly desired, together with such members of your family as can come, and any suggestions from you, in the meantime, as to the proper observance of the day and evening, will be considered in making the arrangements.

If you cannot come, and desire to aid us in a gift to him, which is thought best to be in money, any contributions sent to me here, or to Hon. Enoch Foster, at Bethel, Maine, will be duly and gratefully acknowledged and properly applied.

The exercises suggested for the occasion are, for the afternoon, an Address and Poem, and in the evening a social gathering, with toasts and responses, all to be interspersed with appropriate music and remarks from old schoolmates, and if this meets the general approval such arrangements will be seasonably made.

Please let us hear from you now, hoping to meet you then,

I am, yours sincerely,
A. S. TWITCHELL.

Birthday Anniversary.

CENTER HOUSE, CONWAY CENTER, N. H.

The occurrence of the sixty-fourth birthday of Mrs. Wm. E. Chase, was celebrated by a reception at the Center House on Friday evening, the 11th inst. One hundred of the many friends of Mr. and Mrs. C. assembled to enjoy the festivities. The Conway Brass Band furnished music. About 9 o'clock all were summoned into the dining hall to partake of refreshments. The tables were tastily spread with a variety of substantial food, to which all did justice. After supper Miss Elsie Witham presented appropriate gifts, with the following words of presentation by Mrs. Abbie M. D. Blouin.

"We in behalf of your friends at Conway Center and vicinity present you with these gifts as tokens of affection and esteem. Wishing you many happy returns of the day, also that as you descend the hillside of life, your pathway may be bright, strewn with flowers without thorns."

"The love we bear to you and yours
May not be told in language spoken,
For sometimes words are shams, but deeds
Can always give a friendly token.

We fondly hope this hearthstone bright,
Among kind hearts who love you,
May shelter you and yours, until
The grasses grow above you.

As age creeps slowly on, what land
Is better than our native heath?
What skies are fairer than the sky
We learned our cradle songs beneath?

May He whom you have trusted, keep
You in the hollow of His hand,
Until the Father's voice shall call
You gently to the better land."

Remarks were made by Rev. Mr. Bragdon, Messrs. Nash and Farrington, responded to by Mr. Chase, followed by the singing of "Home, Sweet Home." All pronounced the occasion as the pleasant event of the season.

NO CURE, NO PAY! Dr. Lawrence's Cough Balsam, when once used, takes the place of all others. See our advertising columns. 1y

Greenwood Caves.

Seven miles from Bethel on the farm of Eben Wentwroth, of Greenwood, or rather on a hill in his woodland, is situated the famous Greenwood Caves, a public resort and an interesting place.

The side of the mountain, containing the caves is an immense ledge, and at this particular place the ledge is honey combed, or full of large rooms, cells or intercesses, caused probably by some great convulsion of nature.

Some of the rooms are twenty or thirty feet long, but not very wide. Their hight frequently equals their length. Some of them are high up in the ledge and others are deep down below the surface, almost forming two stories or sets of rooms one above the other. One in particular is deep down in the earth and contains ice the year round; and is called the Ice Cave. Another is called the Well,—from the depth estimated by droping a stone in it and hearing the continual receding sound as it thumps along and dies away in the distance.

WEST PARIS.

Santa Claus held a sociable at the Free Baptist Church Christmas evening. The entertainment consisted of recitations, declamations, singing, etc. Two well loaded trees were in readiness with presents not only for the little ones, but for the larger ones. Mrs. Edwin Brown received an elegant New Home Sewing Machine, a present from her father. E. E. Judkins, Mrs. J. H. Barrows and others received valuable presents.

The West Paris dramatic club gave one of their fine entertainments in the drama "Foiled," at the Free Baptist Church last Monday evening, to a large and appreciative audience. Two hundred tickets were sold, the proceeds to go towards the repairs of the Church. By request the play was repeated at the church Monday evening, Jan'y 14th. Every actor did their part nobly, and the club is entitled to great credit for giving so fine an entertainment for our people.

John Willis has enjoyed lots of fun in hunting foxes this fall and winter, and many a sly old fox has bit the dust from the unerring aim from his double barrel gun, as the number of fox skins will testify. The Capt. has one of the best dogs to hunt foxes with. It is not an uncommon thing for his dog Dick to catch the fox himself.

Granite Lodge of F. & A. M., elected their officers last Wednesday evening as follows: G. W. Bryant, W. M.; L. B. Andrews, S. W.; Chas. Swift, J. W.; Julian Young, Sec.; E. Barker, Treas.; Leonard B. Swan, S. D. The other officers have not as yet been appointed. The Lodge is in a prosperous condition.

We welcome again the familiar whistle of our steam mill.

The familiar whistle of our steam mill is now calling its help from its few weeks vacation to labor again, but it creates some confusion, as the Messrs. Brown refuse to recognize the new time.

There seems to be no market for potatoes as yet, and thousands of bushels are now stored in our farmers cellars.

Mrs. George Young who had improved so much from her long and painful illness as to give encouragement to her many friends that she might recover, has grown rapidly worse, and but little hopes if any are now entertained of her recovery.

Mr. Solomon Buck, a brakeman on the G. T. R., was severely injured last Friday, by being caught between the cars while shackling.

Mr. Ethan Willis has built in his barn a silo 3x6 feet wide and 8½ feet deep. This he intends next summer to fill with green corn fodder cut fine and pressed firmly into this silo, which he estimates will hold about three tons. This he covers closely, and the cover is held in its place by heavy weights, thus virtually hermetically sealed. He lets this remain until winter when he feeds it to his milch cows. By this method he claims he can feed his cows in the winter with sweet green feed, which will very much enhance the flow of milk. This silo is so arranged as not to freeze.

Mr. F. L. Barrett has sold to F. D. Merrow of Auburn 800 sheep.

H. G. Brown & Son have started up their Chair and Bobbin factory with increased encouragement for the coming year. JNO

SOUTH PARIS.

At the annual meeting of the First Cong'l Church held last Saturday the following officers for the year were elected:—Deacon, Henry Fobes; Clerk, Herbert Morse; Treas., H. N. Bolster; Standing Com., S. T. Beaman, Mrs. Geo. A. Wilson, and Chas. H. Clifford. They also elected Sunday School Officers for the ensuing year:—Supt. H. N. Bolster; Asst. Supt., Herbert Morse; Sec. H. C. Ripley; Treas., H. N. Bolster; Exc. Com., Mrs. Howard, Mrs. Sarah Richardson and Mrs. Geo. A. Wilson; Librarian, N. D. Bolster.

ELM HILL.—A. S. Dudley is making business lively for all who will work hauling poplar to the Norway depot.

S. R. Ellis has a fine lot of Jerseys of which he may well be proud. He has lately built an ice house for the better accomodation of his dairy, and his cellar full of hogs can't be beat.

Cattle buyers are looking around sharp for both work and beef, and offer a little better each time.

DIST. NO. 7.—John Barrows has gone to Florida for his health accompanied by his son Edgar. Their friends report them well pleased with the country.

Solomon Winslow has sold his colt to Augustus Thurlow of this town.

John and Gilman Penley have discontinued their meat route.

Lucien Foster makes two trips a day drawing wood to South Paris. He has acquired a reputation for the good quality of his wood. Customers are certain to receive all for which they bargain. Mr. Foster has recently purchased a fine team.

Henry Record, agent for E. D. Pettengill & Co., has canvassed the neighborhood for cucumber growers. All last year's growers unite in pronouncing it a paying crop.

Caleb Dudley is at the Norway shoe factory learning to last shoes.

SOUTH WATERFORD.

Mrs. Maria Rowe is suffering a good deal from phthisic. She is some better now.

E. W. Ayer has a new horse.

Rev. Mr. Snow has gone to visit his brother in Mercer. On his return he will preach at Rumford in exchange with Rev. N. D. Center who will preach at South Waterford and Lovell Center the 26th inst.

Monroe & Millett are doing a good business in making buckets, firkins, etc. at their mill. They find a ready market for all they are able to make. They make an extra good article, therefore they find no difficulty in disposing of them.

There will be a Calico Ball at Village Hall, South Waterford, next Tuesday eve. Kelly's Quadrille Band, 5 pieces, will furnish music. Hall director, Geo. Hobson; aids, Martin York and C. A. Woodbury. Mr. C. E. Rines of the Norway Bakery will furnish a first-class Oyster Supper in the dining hall over the dance hall. Tickets to dance 50 cts; Oyster Supper 50 cts. per couple. No postponement. You are invited. See posters.

Bethel's New Store and Elevator.

The new store and elevator and mill combined, of Messrs. Woodbury & Purington is the most complete mercantile house in this part of the State, for the purposes for which it was intended. Although they deal in general merchandise, yet their main business is corn, grain, meal, flour, salt, cement, plaster, etc.

The store is situated within a few feet of the Grand Trunk side track and with a shoot one man can unload a car in a short time, by running the corn into the cellar or basement, where the elevator takes it up into the proper bins in the third story; these bins hold several thousands of bushels. The grain is let down into the hopper of the mill or into bags through a spout. The basement is used for storage of salt, cement, plaster, and also for grinding. The second or ground floor for delivery of corn, meal, oats and other heavy goods, besides front store of general goods and office. The whole is heated by a coal furnace in cellar and registers.

The main building is 80x28 with ell 36x16. Floor timbers all lay on beams; no gains cut in them. A brick boiler house 26x10 entirely fire proof and independent of main store, and engine in a room by itself. They grind 30 bushels an hour with 30 lbs. of steam.

The boiler was made by Wm. Allen & Son, Worcester, Mass, engine by J. W. Penney, Mechanic Falls, Me. Mill by Holmes & Blanchard, Boston, Mass. The lumber and all material that could be, was purchased in Bethel, the firm making it a point to spend their money at home as far as possible.

Dea. Sam'l Kilborn was master carpenter, Thomas B. Kendall master mason, and Benj. R. Bryant and Moses Russell stone work. One of the firm superintended the whole. The whole complete cost about five thousand dollars and is all paid for. Their sales the past year have been over twenty thousand bushels.

By honesty and untiring business habits this firm has from small beginnings, steadily grown into mammoth proportions, and have gained and kept the confidence of the public.

A few more of the same sort are wanted in Bethel.

BETHEL.

The Odd Fellows of Mt. Abram Lodge, Bethel, had an entertainment at the Bethel House, Thursday evening consisting of a pastry supper at 11 o'clock and dancing before and after. This Order is now large and growing fast, containing many of our most influential and best men and is destined to become a numerical and powerful association and in connection with their Relief Association at Bridgton has done and is doing a good work. A project is on foot to purchase a spare building lot opposite the Post Office, and in connection with a stock company (they forming one fourth) build an eight thousand dollar block, stores below, town hall next and Odd Fellows above all in a large and commodious hall. I think the stock is nearly all promised to be taken and we may look in confidence for the start of this enterprise early next spring.

We were shown last evening the apron of the present worshipful master of Bethel Lodge Free and Accepted Masons, (L. T. Barker esq.) This apron was a present to Mr. Barker from the late Moses Pattee which was worn by him for many years and is quite an ancient relic. The fabric is costly silk, embroidered with extensive emblems of Masonry and of varied and beautiful colors and is prized very highly by Mr. B.

Business at the Grand Trunk Station was never more lively than now. I've counted 12 cars loading, the other day, with various commodities, bark, pulp wood, dowels, staves, birch, potatoes, etc. The birch is shipped to Bryants' Pond for Capt. Dearborn's spool factory.

Messrs. Dudley & Day have purchased a lot of land near Mr. Wm. Chapman's and are clearing it, cutting hundreds of cords of birch, poplar, and fire wood besides other kinds of timber employing a large crew of men and teams.

M. Hugh Greenan, of Brewer Maine, while at work in the gravel pit at Upper Dam, last week, the earth gave way where workmen had dug under the surface rocks and frozen ground, and buried Mr. G. entirely but some pieces of frozen ground kept him from suffocation, while the men dug him out. They sent to Bethel some 60 miles for Dr. Hill but he was fatally hurt and died soon after the Doctor arrived. His body was carried out by the way of Andover to his friends in Brewer.

The week of prayer has been maintained by union meetings, first three at the Methodist house and next three at the 1st Congregationalist vestry and Monday and Thursday evenings of the present week besides regular meetings. Results look hopeful. Several conversions and much inquiry among the young, besides some new departures among old church members. May God grant this good beginning of leaven, to leaven the whole lump.

The mixed train up Saturday was delayed at the depot for a short time by a small smash up. After setting some cars on the siding and backing back to connect with the train left on the main line, by some means came with such force as to demolish a platform car in such a manner as to throw one part of it on to the depot platform. Mr. Leach, the baggage master, had his hand hurt slightly. The car was decayed badly or it would not probably have broken.

21 degrees below zero last Sunday morning.

Col. Turner, the veteran woodsman, whose family resides here and who is now operating with a crew for the Lewiston Steam Mill Company, claims to have cut the boss spruce near Richardson Lake where the crew is logging. The whole tree scaled a little over sixteen hundred feet, a twenty eight foot log from this tree scaled nine hundred and ninety feet. This tree will be a monster to float down the Androscoggin river, more especially if the water should happen to be low on the Shelburn flats.

S. D. and J. M. Philbrook are not only live stock dealers but are live men right after the live dollar. They have handled for the year 1883 stock to the amount of fifty thousand dollars. A large part of this business has been done in furnishing the loggers with oxen which they claim they can do at less price with their experience and vacilities than the parties can step out and look up their own teams. SLOW.

[We wish to get a complete summary of the local news from Bethel and vicinity each week. We shall devote ample space to such matters and hope to receive the encouragement our efforts may merit. We will invite any one who sees fit to send in the news. Write plainly and sign your name in full.]—Eds.

GREENWOOD.

MT. ABRAM.—About ten car loads of potatoes are raised by the ten families in Mt. Abram district,—averaging four hundred bushels each, and no better potatoes grow in Maine.

The people here are nearly all Irish and they are a thrifty set, and can outdo the Yankees every time raising potatoes.

Mrs. J. G. Rich has been dangerously sick for the last ten days.

Bartley Lyden winters more stock on a little hay than any man we ever saw before. Last winter he kept 12 head, mostly large cattle, on about ten tons of hay. He cuts brouse for them and turns them into the woods frequently.

E. Lindley has been confined to his house for several months with a bad abscess. Two physicians from Bethel performed a surgical operation on him very successfully, and he is now on the gain.

Pender and Quirk are the greatest providers of dry fire wood in town. They have a large pile on hand fitted for the stove which looks inviting these cold snaps.

Greenwood boasts of a Catholic Supervisor of schools from this district.

John Lyden has built a new barn this fall and our November cyclone gave it a hard twist before he had covered the roof, but his neighbors turned out and straightened it up for him.

ALBANY.

Mr. John Foster of Merrimac, Mass. and Rensalaer Foster of Denver, Col. are making a short visit to their mother and other friends here. Sixteen years have elapsed since Rensalaer last visited here. Time has made but little change in his looks.

Mink are showing themselves quite plenty here of late. One was so closely pursued that he went up a tree. A club soon brought him down, and although he struck on a mans shoulder he made good his escape. A young lady, Miss Lydia Briggs, has caught three mink in a steel trap.

Franklin Cross and wife are spending the winter in the family of their son at East Waterford. H.

LOCKE'S MILLS.

A good school is being taught by Mrs. Mason Kimball.

Business lively. Especially wood, poplar, and birch-strip business.

Rand & Martin are buying potatoes.

Logs are being hauled through the village to Walker's Mills to be sawed.

Social dance at Currier's Hall last Friday evening and an oyster supper at Mrs. Daniels'. About 20 couples present.

FROM SYRACUSE, N. Y.

"I felt weak and languid; had palpitation of the heart and numbness of the limbs. *Burdock Blood Bitters* have certainly relieved me. They are most excellent." Mr. J. M. Wright.

SOUTH WOODSTOCK.

Everybody is busily engaged hauling poplar and dry wood to West Paris market. Sledding good, and all hands are in good spirits.

Orlando Robbins has purchased the Lurvey farm, put a barn on it, repaired the house, and will take his young wife there soon. We are all glad to have this change take place.

There can be found in the store of O. L. Fuller a cat 19 years old. The old gentleman is spry and smart, and catches mice with as much agility as he did in his youthful days.

Some of our schools have closed, others prospering in good order, especially in the Curtis district, H. C. Bacon instructor. Herbert places their toes on the line and has them keep them there.

The following are elected officers of West Paris Lodge No. 15, I. O. O. F. for next term: N. G., N. Young; V. G., E. D. Andrews; R. S., C. D. Fickett; P. S., R. Tuell. This Lodge is in a prosperous condition, gaining both in membership and financially.

WEST SUMNER.

Camp Fire at G. A. Hall last Saturday evening. There was excellent music by Mr. and Mrs. Union Howe, Miss Lottie Howe and Mr. Geo. C. Howe. Miss Minnie Lane presided at the organ. A fine recitation by Miss Ella Abbott and a declamation by Mr. Byron Small, appropriate speeches by Capt. G. M. Small, Rev. Rob't Scott of E. Sumner and others. Baked beans, brown bread, coffee and other refreshments were served to a full house, consisting of comrades and their families and invited friends. All agreed in saying it was a grand good time.

At a council holden at E. Sumner last week, Rev. R. Scott was recognized as a minister in good standing in the Baptist order. The council consisted of 13 and was unanimous.

Excellent sledding here now, and lumber and wood teams are very busy. An unusually large amount of shingle lumber is being hauled to E. W. Chandler's shingle mill. But E. W. will saw it all out as he knows how to drive business. Almond Churchill and Warren Lothrop are driving James Field's teams.

Social circle of Baptist church at A. G. Parlin's last week. Generally large gatherings at their circles, which are holden once in two weeks.

The Univ. Circle at J. J. Abbott's Wednesday of this week.

Mr. Hiram Howe is teaching a singing school at E. Sumner, and also one at the "Darnet" school house, so called, in Buckfield.

Mr. N. H. Robinson is hauling birch to No. Buckfield for G. Barrett.

Mr. Jarvis Doble has taken a job to haul a lot of birch from A. G. Parlin's to No. Buckfield for Mr. Barrett.

Dea. C. Z. Tuell and wife have returned from a visit to their children in Mass.

If any one wants a job of teaming done promptly, faithfully and at a reasonable price, they cannot do better than to employ Mr. T. Bonney. He always has his horses in a condition to work and an outfit to go with them.

WHAT THREE APPLICATIONS DID.

"I was troubled much with sore feet. *Three applications of Thomas Electric Oil* entirely cured them. Nothing better in market." Jacob Butler, Reading, Pa.

HARRISON,—Dist. No. 6.

We are glad to see Frank Brown, who has been suffering from a bad gash in his foot, among us once more.

The men are improving the time teaming.

We notice the marriage of Willie Noyes and Miss Hattie Pike. May happiness be their portion.

The people of this vicinity were very much startled last Saturday, Jan. 12th, about noon, by the appearance of two quite prepossessing, although haughty looking, young men. Instantly all were anxious to learn what their intentions might be. Some thought them tramps, other traveling agents, while some imagined them to be "rogues in disguise," reconnoiting mayhap, and were in alarm lest they return, rife their houses, steal their poultry, and sleep in their barn. While excitement was at its highest, the boy who had been dispatched to watch the intruders returned breathless with fear and wonder and said that they had entered the school-house, returned in a few moments, and after tramping down the snow, as if to give vent to their rage, caused by disappointment no doubt, had retreated up the stage road. The Sequel:—these were not thieves, but two intellectual, and honorable young men, teachers at Waterford at the present time, one a member of the Freshman Class at Bates. The teacher looking at her Dictionary a short time after read, with a smile, on a Phrenological Chart these words: "Frailty and fickleness are characteristic of women." To write this they had traveled many miles and gone without their dinner. Now young men we seriously hope you have sustained no injuries from your walk, also that you have not made Dyspepsia your enemy.

PERU.

The event of the past week in this part of the Androscoggin valley was the dedication of the new Odd Fellows Hall at Canton. All the Odd Fellows and their ladies who attended from this town have been very good-natured and entertaining ever since. The fact I suspect is;—those Canton folks feted, fed, talked and told them what they before knew, but in such a winning way, and so sandwiched in with sweet swelling, soul stirring strains of melodious music, cakes, compliments, oysters and oratory that they are on good terms with themselves, their fellowmen and "the rest of creation." So may it be. Carl Shurtz in his eulogy on Charles Sumner said, "Let rogues despise themselves if they will, they have good reason; gentlemen have a good right to think well of themselves."

Henry Rowe of this town shew me these figures on Saturday as an income of five cows:—butter sold 634 lbs., received for same $152.72; cheese 1030 lbs., received for same $123.60; calves sold $87.00, and has two remaining for which he has refused $43.00. Total $406.32. His wife said the butter was cut short by reason of the fodder corn being killed by the early frost. Nothing is allowed here for six in the family eating from the product. Can cheese factories do this? H. S. M.

OTISFIELD.

The school on the Gore closed Jan. 12th after a term of twelve weeks. The following scholars were not absent one day: Ella Brackett, Georgia Brett, Neddie Skillings, Walter Brett. Mamie Whitman was absent one day. Names of those who did not whisper are Emma Whitman, Ella Brackett, Lillian Andrews, Georgia Brett, Rosie Frost and Neddie Skillings. Fernie D. Sawyer was not absent a day during the term. School was taught by Clara M. Caswell.

Owing to a mistake or misunderstanding, Rev. W. J. Twort will give an illustrated sermon at the Gore school-house Tuesday evening, Jan. 22, instead of the 15th. H. A. S.

CASCO.

I noticed in an article in the Portland *Globe* from the pen of "S. C. W." an allusion to the Devil's Den, a cave situated between Casco Village and Webbs Mills. I will give you a copy of a letter written to my grand-father some less than one hundred years ago relating to some of the works of "Old Harry" in this school dist. when he held high "carnival" in our vicinity. Here is the letter verbatim.

"MY DEAR UNCLE SAM:—I have this day passed by the celebrated Haunted Apple Tree growing upon the land of Maj. Mayberry of which you and I have heard and talked so much about. The tree now, Jan. 20, hangs full of apples. I think there are ten bushels or more on the tree. The story is, as soon as any one touches an apple on the tree strange noises are heard, brimstone is smelled, and the air is filled with small stones flying in all directions. No stone ever comes to the ground. The apples remain on the tree until spring, then all go at a time no one knows how, when, or where. No apple is ever seen on the snow or ground. Apples have been seen near the Devil's Den which look precisely like those on this tree. Mr. Jordan told me that several young men met at his house one evening when one of the men, noted for strength and courage, said he would take an apple from this tree. He climbed the tree without trouble, but the moment he touched an apple he heard unearthly sounds, the rocks flew around his ears, and the air was suffocating. He leaped from the tree never more to return to it.

Yours, JOHN."

The tree is now standing, but it has long since ceased bearing any fruit, it is no more haunted. JAKE BUNSBY.

WEST POLAND.

Bert Fernald has built a very large and commodious hen house, said to be the finest one in the County. Its dimensions are 50x15, divided into six sections, with 20 hens in each apartment. The nests are so arranged that the eggs can be taken without disturbing the biddies. The hens are fed with a variety of food and well supplied with scraps of meat, oyster shells, etc. He also has a very fine herd of cattle. He has a pair of yearling steers measuring over 6 feet in girth, a perfect match in size and color. These beautiful animals have been trained by Master Will Dyer in the most perfect manner, out of the yoke, so at the word of command they will go through various evolutions with the precision of well disciplined soldiers. All done by kindness and patience. Bert also has a pair of steer calves 8 months old measuring five feet. Irving Smith has a pair a mite larger of the same age. Edwin Emery has a Durham bull one year old that measures 6 feet, 4 inches, a perfect animal. He also has a Patchen filly 3 years past that weighs some over 1100 pounds, a great traveler and a splendid animal. Weston Dunn has a pair of yearling steers measuring a little over six feet. Though not so perfect a match as Fernald's they are a fine pair. Now if any one neighborhood can beat this place please report to the ADVERTISER. These cattle have had little except good common food, their growth being the result of good breeding rather than high feed. Most of them being the offspring of E. R. Holmes' Senator. MARK TAPEY.

BOLSTER'S MILLS.

At the annual meeting of Crooked River Lodge of F. & A. M., on Thursday evening, Jan. 10th, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: M. E. Hall, W. M.; R. H. Cobb, S. W.; S. J. Skillings, J. W.; I. S. Skillings, Treas.; A. B. Lovewell, Sec.; A. M. Hancock, S. D.; S. A. Turner, J. D.; N. S. Wight, Trustee; C. E. Stuart, D. E. Caswell, Geo. A. Haskell, Com. of Finance. The officers will be installed on Thursday evening, Jan. 24th, at a special meeting appointed for that purpose. The installation will be followed by a picnic supper. All members of the Lodge are invited to be present with their wives and daughters.

ERRATUM.—The number of tons of freight brought into town by the Garfield Express last year, D. Scribner manager and driver, should have been *ninety* tons instead of thirty as the types made it read.

RUMFORD CENTRE.

Considerable poplar is being landed along the Androscoggin here. Part of it goes to Canton and part to Livermore Falls.

The dancing school taught by Wilder Chase of Dixfield is progressing finely.

The Good Templars still have an existance and mean to live to do good to some "poor unfortunate." They have more than forty members. They contemplate give a drama in a few weeks.

The remains of our friend, little Katie Abbott, were bought from Byron, and services by Rev. N. D. Center were held at the M. E. Church. Many of her former schoolmates attended in a body. We all loved her.

EAST DIXFIELD.

The village school which was stopped three weeks by the resigning of Mr. Wightman has again commenced under the instruction of J. S. Hodgdon, who has just finished a term in dist. No. 2.

There was a social dance at Hiscock's Hall last Friday evening.

The Universalists will hold their circle at Hiscock's Hall this (Friday) evening.

Some of our citizens are packing ice.

BROWNFIELD.

Jan. 7th, we were saddened by hearing of the death of one of Brownfield's most esteemed citizens, Mr. Cyrus Wentworth. Although not wholly unprepared for the sad news, yet like a sudden shock came the realization of the great loss sustained by his friends and by the Church of which, for many years, he had been an active and conscientious member. Mr. Wentworth died after a short and very severe illness, in the house where he was born nearly seventy years ago. He was unmarried, but with his sisters, Patty and Mary, has posessed and enjoyed one of the pleasantest of homes.

There is considerable sickness in town and our young physican finds his time fully occupied.

Mr. Frank Mace, agent throughout western Maine, for the "Blue and Grey," has his headquarters at Mr. Springer's. Anyone desiring a good account of the civil war, cannot do better than to subscribe.

Mr. C. F. Adams has been disabled by a sore hand. As it is healing after a long time, it is hoped that amputation may not be necessary.

We hear that Charles Smith of Fryeburg has seventeen men in the logging swamp below the depot. They obtain lodgings at the at the house of George Bradbury.

The C. L. S. C. met Jan. 8th with Miss Delia Spring. James Russell Lowell was the principal subject for the evening. Selections from his writings were read; and a short sketch of his life was read by Miss L. A. Frink. Then followed the question box, and an article on "The Papal System," by Miss A. L. Allard. We see by the ADVERTISER that a branch of the C. L. S. C. is planted in Oxford. We send it a hearty "God Speed," and would like to hear from it often.

Our friend, "Porter," ought to be much pleased with our classification; and to remember that the rose and thorn are inseparable. To look at the matter in another light, we will twist a quotation to suit our purpose, and remind P. that, "Uneasy lies the head that's known to fame." We would recommend that "Baptist Ministers" be cultivated in preference to "mad dogs"; as, when feeling especially warlike, we might make a raid on the latter with weapons more touching than tongue or pen.

ANDOVER.

Dr. Swasey, the dentist, gave the people in this vicinity a chance to try their luck on roller skates at the town hall last Monday evening, Jan. 6th. Quite a number availed themselves of the opportunity. The evening was passed very pleasantly. Some of the skaters were even surprised at their skill. Still, a few made some very unceremonious halts, and endeavors to "fix their skates."

Our lumberman are busy improving the snow while it lasts, as there seems to be an impression in many localities that there will not be an excess of the article this winter, still I think that people need not give themselves any uneasiness if the remainder of January holds out as it has begun.

During the past week several of our townsmen have been getting their supply of ice.

Fred Smith has finished logging for this winter.

The steam-mill has entirely ceased to go. The sound of the whistle will be heard no more, for the present at least. Still at any time we shall be pleased to hear the "joyful sound."

A lyceum was holden at No. 4 school house last Saturday evening. Not being present we are unable to give the programme.

We learn that O. P. Smith is teaching school at Newry Corner. He starts another at Hanover this week. C.

HEBRON.

The Musical Convention, which was to have commenced here Wednesday morning of last week, Jan. 9th, and continue three days, did not commence on account of the storm till the next day. There were sessions, forenoon, afternoon and evening, Thursday and Friday, conducted by Prof. H. L. Whitney, of Boston. Mrs. Geo. Briggs of So. Paris presided admirably at the piano. There were representatives from the different church choirs in Turner, Buckfield, Paris and Oxford to unite with ours. There was a good attendance, considering the traveling, and was an interesting occasion. There were many fine voices, and Prof. Whitney, with his large experience as a musical director, knew just how to train them and to infuse a spirit of enthusiasm in all. Thursday morning a society was organized to be known as The Maine Normal Church Choir Association, and the following officers were chosen. President, Hon. R. C. Boothby of Livermore Falls; Vice Presidents, Horatio A. Cushman, Hebron; C. H. Barrell, Turner, and Rodney Hall, So. Paris; Secretary and Treaurer, G. W. Cushman, Hebron; Executive Committee, C. H. George, Hebron, George Briggs, So. Paris; C. F. Durell, Oxford; A. E. Bradford, Turner, and Dr. J. Caldwell, Buckfield. The object of the Association, as its name would indicate, is for the improvement of the music in the churches. It consists of active and associate memberships, giving the various communities an opportunity, not only to render material aid, but to awaken a deeper interest in their church choirs. It seems to be a movement in the right direction. It was inaugurated here with about forty members. Thursday evening, during a brief intermission from singing, Prof. Whitney gave an address on music, and set forth the advantages of the association formed. Friday evening, in addition to the general rehearsal, Miss Agnes Briggs of So. Paris, delighted the audience with a song which was finely rendered, and a mule quartette, composed of Rodney Hall, George Briggs, F. A. Thayer, of So. Paris, and H. B. Sturtevant, of Hebron, sung two songs with much acceptance. The Association was a success, and it was voted to hold the next one in Turner, sometime in June, I think. S.

Almer Foster has closed his services with Dr. Caldwell and gone to Canada.

Charles Maxim received about $90.00 by subscription to make up the loss of his oxen.

Clark Foster has sold all the boots he manufactured during the past season.

It is said that Leander Swan seems to have an interest in this town. It may be personal property. It may be real estate.

The ax of the wood-cutters is heard in the forest of J. J. Fuller on the line of the railroad, by moonlight.

BE CAREFUL OF THE BABIES.

If your children are threatened with croup or any throat difficulty, apply a few drops of *Thomas' Electric Oil*. It is the nicest medicine for the little ones we know of.

BUCKFIELD.

T. S. Bridgham, esq., entertained a large company of friends, to celebrate the 25th anniversary of his marriage.

Alfred Cole, esq., is getting out timber from his lot on the Sumner road.

Withington & Son, Brush Manufacturers, have contracted with parties at Chase's Mills, Turner, for sawed white birch for the next years use.

Penley from Lewiston, with Horace Morrill bought 10 beef oxen in this town last week.

Miss Julia E. Waldron of Salem, Mass., is visiting friends here.

Communications.

MR. EDITOR.—The people at Oxford are getting very interested in "Mark Tapley's" entertaining "Recollections of Otisfield." As Mr. Tapley is a resident of this town and well posted on our early history, we hope he will when he finds leisure write up some of the more important events in Oxford's past. A SUBSCRIBER.

We should be pleased to engage Mr. Tapley in such an enterprise. We doubt not he will turn his pen to some events of "Oxford in the Past" ere long. The ADVERTISER is ever pleased to give space to such matters.—[Eds.

South Paris, Jan. 14th, 1884.

MR. EDITOR:—I noticed in your last week's paper, in the South Paris items that I, Millard Stevens, visited the school, made a mistake and went into the wrong room. As the readers couldn't make head nor tail of the item I will write the event alluded to. One of the scholars asked me to go in to the school with him. I accepted the invitation, and it not being quite time for the school to open, he took me in to see the recitation room. The janitor not noticing we were there, locked the door leaving us in the room. I think the writer must have gone to the wrong school himself, or else he would not have put so small an event in the paper. S.

Our correspondent did just right in sending the item. We thank him for it. The above admisssion substantiates the truth of his item. It is something out of the usual course for a gentleman to be lumbering round school buildings to the extent of being bewildered, lost, or even locked in, and such an occurrence is worthy of mention in the ADVERTISER. Send in the local news. —[Eds.

Harrison, Jan. 15, 1884.

MR. EDITOR:—Friend Tayley's "Recollections of Otisfield" puts me in mind of what was told me by a lady born in Otisfield about 1801, and yet living I think. She said that about 1814 or '15 her father left her mother with six children and went to Portland to try and earn money to get something to make bread. That they lived as long as they could on potatoes, or "until they were almost starved for bread," as she expressed it, when her mother got of a neighbor some wheat bran that had been sifted over twice before and sifted it again and mixed this with boiled potatoes well mashed up and baked as bread, the lady now says was the best bread she ever ate. She has always had bread enough since then.

A. W. HOPPER.

Portland, Jan. 14, 1884.

MR. EDITOR:—I see by the papers that there is to be a re-union of the "Waterford boys" on the 13th of next month, at which a grand time is expected. Now, as one of the "Waterford girls," I would beg leave to ask through your columns if we cannot have a share in this good time? If I remember rightly, in those days of twenty years ago, our part in the merry-makings was no slight one.

A WATERFORD GIRL.

As Mr. Tapley has given some history of the excentric Thomas Wight, I would add one more item. Uncle Tom was building a stack of chimneys some twenty-five years ago for a Mr. Watkins of Casco. It was late in the fall, the chimney was all done but toping out Saturday night. There was urgent necesity to have the chimney finished the next day which was Sunday, and if Uncle Tom went home and returned on Monday it would make him 20 miles extra travel to do two hours work. Mr. W. plead with all the eloquence of a fond father for his suffering family, but to no purpose. He finally wanted Uncle to give his reasons why he could not stop and finish the chimney and he did, it was this; he said, "he and Hannah (his wife) had but one shirt between them. He wore it one week and she the next. He had it on then and must go home with it for Hannah to wear next week.

D. SCRIBNER.

OXFORD.

H. O. Blake is astonishing the town with a puzzle which he describes thus; Sold a cow for $25.00, the purchaser being sick of his bargain, the cow was bought back for $15.00. The cow was sold again for $20.00 how much was made on the two transactions? Would like to hear from the Hub correspondent on this answer.

A good story is told at the expense of a Norway cattle broker. The broker purchased a fine yoke of oxen of a certain person on Fore street, the oxen to be delivered the next morning. That night the ex-owner, it is reported, hauled as much timber as would take a smart man two days to haul, the oxen working all night so as to be ready to get an early start in the morning the owner said.

The Factory commenced its three-fourths time on Monday morning, commencing work at half past 7 in the morning and finish work at half past 4.

A full report of the Band Concert next week.

Joseph Davis caught a fine string of trout on Saturday 10 in number several weighing 3½ and 4 lbs. each. There is no place in the state of Maine for good fishing through the ice that surpasses Thompson Pond. FELIX.

We think friend Felix cannot say much in regard to mustaches as he is in the same boat and although he has not yet resorted to the razor, he hopes by the aid of an unlimited supply of sweet cream and Dykes' Beard Elixir also occasionally a mustard plaster, to develop a mustache of a size not to be thought of by the common run of mortals. Success attend him!

Oxford Depot is becoming quite a cattle market. Sumner Wardwell or his brother Simon go up Bethel way the first of about every week, buy a load of cattle, ship them to Oxford depot Friday or Saturday, drive most of them home and then what they do not dispose of over there they drive back to the Depot Monday morning, where there is generally a few farmers waiting to see if they can find a pair of steers or a cow to suit their mind, the remainder is then loaded into the cars and shipped to Brighton and Watertown cattle markets, in charge of Sumner Wardwell, arriving there Tuesday morning. Chas. Bryant went to market with Sumner this week.

Leander Wardwell caught a 4 lb. red spot trout out of the outlet of Thompson Pond last Saturday. We were invited over to dinner Sunday but circumstances prevented our attending.

Welchville has got a new street lamp furnished by King & Holmes at the corner of the road by their store. VOX.

The recent heavy storms have proved very destructive to the partridges throughout this county, which is only realized by those conversant with the woods and its timid inhabitants.

The band concert was well attended by a fair sized audience that was much pleased and entertained by their efforts.

Mrs. A. M. French died of consumption last Sunday night.

Edwards & Lord keep a first class line of groceries. Otisfield people do most of their trading there.

N. C. McKeen is having plenty to do this winter. Here is the place to get your horse shod in a first class manner and at a reasonable rate. PRIVATEER.

NAPLES.

Mr. Evans has sold his stage line from Bridgton to Portland to Orrin Chaffin of Windham.

Ferd Wetherbee continues to drive the odd day stage.

Rev. J. A. Plummer and family have moved to Knightville, Cape Elizabeth.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.
Bank Statement.
Admr. Sale.
Bridgton Academy.
Phœnix Insurance Co.
Groceries—C. N. Tubbs & Co.
Recommendation.

Valentines at Noyes' Drug Store.

F. D. Welcome is having a good sale of his fruit trees.

J. R. Sanborn started for Wolfeboro, N. H., last Thursday.

A small up-stair tenement to rent. Inquire at this office.

S. L. Ethridge of Bryant's Pond has moved to Norway.

Dr. B. F. Bradbury is still confined to the house but is gaining slowly.

Dump no coal ashes in the street. Commit no nuisance. Per order.

Mrs. Phillip Chase has gone to Haverhill to work in a shoe factory.

Joseph Tufts has wood and timber land for sale. We would call Chas. Cummings' attention to this.

Ernest Millett, son of Israel Millett, recently broke his arm by being thrown from a sled while sliding.

John B. Hazen has his new house nearly finished. Mr. Chas. E. Mixer has rented it and moved in.

If the young gentleman who got some ribbons lettered at this office will call he can have the same.

A party from 20 to 25 visited Waterford Tuesday night and took in the sleigh ride and dance. Kelley's orchestra, John Hazelton, manager, is doing a big business this season.

In our report last week of the election of the officers of the National Bank the name of Mr. L. F. Pike, who was elected one of the directors, was accidently omitted by the compositor.

The Norway Lodge I. O. O. F. has recently had a new set of By-Laws printed at this office. This Lodge has 115 members and is the next largest of the secret societies in town.

A very nice crayon portrait of Blacksmith Libby at the anvil is on exhibition at Pierce's. The picture was crayoned by Miss Minnie F. Libby and shows a good degree of skill.

Prof. Arthur Ball, champion skater of the world, was at the Norway Rink, Thursday evening. There was a big crowd both on the floor and in the gallery to witness the marvellous feats of Prof. Ball.

J. F. Huntington & Co. are at the old stand in the new block. They do custom tailoring to order. Mr. Huntington is pretty sure to make an exact fit the first time, as his numerous customers will testify, and in the ready made department they have a full line at prices as low as the lowest.

Mr. John B. Hazen is doing some very effective work canvassing for this paper. The people seem to take kindly to the paper, and back up their kindness with the cash. The ADVERTISER for '84 will be unequalled as a local paper. Try it.

H. M. Bearce, esq., and Wm. H. Whitcomb recently purchased a strip of timber land in Pennsylvania, paying therefor $10,000. They kept it less than four months and sold it for $20,000, thus making a cool five thousand a-piece.

Fred Ames, the machinest, presents us with a minature goblet or wineglass turned from the wood of an apple tree. One-half of it is dark brown and the balance nearly white. It is as fine a piece of lathe work as we have ever seen. It is perfect in every particular.

F. H. Noyes' horse got a severe cut on the fore leg recently while in the woods. A physician took some twenty-five stitches to sew it up. It will be a long time before the horse will be fit to use.

Mrs. Twombly, the dressmaker, uses the square rule system in cutting garments. It gives the best of satisfaction. Mrs. Bassett, who has had eight years experience in the business at Lewiston, is employed at Mrs. Twombly's.

The Beal's House reception last Friday evening brought together the social *elite* of the town. Twenty couple or more participated—Ex-Mayor Libby of Portland was present as well as State Adj. Gen. Beal and daughters and others. The Norway Orchestra, B. F. Hibbard, leader, furnished music. The supper, as usual, did full credit to the house and Mr. Paul as a caterer.

The Norway skating rink is an immense success. Monday and Thursday evenings music and a large party of merry skaters are present. To accommodate beginners, a session without music is held in the hall Saturday evenings. This session is for beginners, and there are those present who assist all who need it.

We recently observed John Hazen in quest of another building lot. John has built a good many houses and he isn't easy unless building, but we rather counselled that he should wait until the frost got out of the ground before he commenced on another house. John has just finished a nice house on India Street which he offers for sale.

Spring cutters are coming into use. The Brackett Branch store had the first one. A wagon body with springs put on runners. The idea was caught onto by M. F. Brooks, who now drives his "fiery, untamed steed of war" hitched to a spring bodied cutter. We have been promised a ride some day, so we'll not now abuse or praise that kind of a hitch-up. We notice that Dr. Brown uses this kind of a vehicle.

J. F. Bradbury presents us with a generous sample of oranges from a box of that fruit recently received by him from his brother, Henry A. Bradbury of Florida. The oranges were grown by W. H. Holden, near Orlando—we think this gentleman was formerly of Sweden, Me. We have before us a half-dozen variety of oranges, the largest of which measures nearly fourteen inches in circumference, and they are the best specimens we ever saw. The editor and the Mrs. Editor, the foreman and devil, the girls and office crew extend thanks to the thoughtful donors.

Mr. G. W. Plummer, of Waterford, recently informed us when he renewed his subscription to the ADVERTISER, that he was going to sell his farm. The farm contains about 200 acres—plenty of wood and some timber. The buildings are in excellent repair. It is one of the oldest and best farms in that vicinity, and is in a good state of cultivation. He cuts some fifty tons of hay, and raises a good amount of fruit. This is a good opportunity for some one, as Mr. P. is well along in years and wishes to be relieved of the cares of a farm and will sell cheap and make easy terms.

The largest meetings on Sunday are the temperance gatherings at the vestry of the Congregational Church. Last Sunday a large number attended, who went away highly pleased with the exercises. Beside the usual speakers, J. A. Bolster, C. F. Lord, James Grant and Mrs. Mary L. Howe made some excellent speeches, the two former facetiously explaining their little "fiasco" of recent occurrence, which was erroneously taken as a serious affair by the *Lewiston Journal*, and the latter spoke in her usual graceful and earnest manner which carried conviction to every heart, while little Jennie Grant took the house by storm with an excellent temperance song. There will be some good singing with a cornet accompaniment next Sunday.

Choice lot of rice pop corn at C. N. Tubbs & Co.

Mrs. G. L. Reed has returned from North Norway.

Remember the Grand Army sociable at Grange Hall to-night.

All the standard remedies can be found at Noyes' Drug Store.

Dr. Twombly is at Oxford. He will be at the Elm House over Sunday.

If you owe, we need the money and invite you to pay at your earliest convenience.

Ladies circle at vestry of lower church next Wednesday afternoon and evening. All are invited.

There will be a social meeting at the Universalist vestry each Sunday evening. No afternoon service.

Mrs. Myra Millett was at Augusta the past week to attend the funeral of her uncle, Rev. Dr. Quinby.

A purse of about $40.00 was made up for Miss Fannie Sweet, who recently broke her arm at the skating rink.

Chas. Sanborn, who has been confined to the house with sickness the past five weeks, is able to travel out a little.

The Mason Bros. must move from their store-house the large quantity of fertilizers they now have on hand. They give the price per ton for their goods. Now is the time to buy as the sledding is good. Call in and see them.

"Laila" was repeated last Tuesday evening, and if the audience was not as large as one might wish, it was certainly no fault of the entertainment. It was, if anything, better than the first evening. Miss Fannie Howe as "Laila" never sang better, and the acting was fine. Miss Hattie Grant, as Queen of the Fairies, is deserving a large share of praise. Mrs. C. L. Pike, who sang a number of solos before, was not able to take her part on account of sickness. This part was very artistically rendered by Miss Aggie Briggs of South Paris. The trio by Misses Farrow, Hayden and Beal was very pretty, and the solo by Miss Carrie Farrow is deserving of mention. Indeed, taken as a whole this operetta was very creditable to all concerned.

OXFORD.

Mrs. W. S. French is very sick with erysipelas of the face and head. She is more comfortable, but still in a critical condition.

The capture of a wild animal, said to be a grey wolf, at Fryeburg spoken of in the Fryeburg items in the ADVERTISER of Dec. 28th, reminds us of the following: About two years ago an animal of this kind was often seen in the vicinity of W. Poland, which at the time was supposed to be some stray dog. He often assaulted people and frightened children, generally soon after dark. The next spring the remains of some wild animal were found in the pasture of Wm. Blair, by his children. We examined the remains and pronounced it a wolf, which had evidently died of old age and hunger. His teeth were mostly gone, the remaining ones being nothing but stumps. We once met an old hunter in Canada, named Carnes, who seemed well acquainted with the habits of these animals. He said when a wolf becomes old and infirm, finding himself incapable of fighting his way among his companions, he leaves his native haunts and wanders by himself to some new country where he ranges about till he dies of starvation. Will friend Rich of Bethel tell us if he knows anything of this matter?
MARK TAPLEY.

BRYANT'S POND.

On Saturday as Mr. D. A. Coffin was trying the speed of his horse between North Woodstock and this village the bit suddenly broke and let the animal loose. Alf. kept his seat for a while and took matters cool, but when he saw a loaded team ahead of him he concluded to "vacate" which he did in good circle style, turning somersaults in the air. When the sleigh collided with the team the horse cleared himself from it and ran to this village. Alf. arrived soon after drawing his broken sleigh.

The school at North Woodstock closed on Friday.

We hear that the Circle at N. Woodstock are to have an Oyster Supper next Thursday evening.

Otis Dudley has engaged to haul a large amount of wood and timber for his brother, Ansel Dudley. Quincy Day and Fred Lurvey are driving his teams.

S., who was married last Christmas, received a visit from his fun-loving associates one evening last week. They surrounded the house with various musical instruments, including tin horns and cow bells, and proceeded to make night hideous. The doors were not opened, and the next night the "Impromptu Band" renewed the attack, but the doors still remain closed on them. How the matter will end remains to be seen.
B****.

The officers of Mt. Jefferson Lodge of F. and A. M. were publicly installed at their hall on Tuesday eve Jan. 15. The attendance was large and much interest was manifested in the impressive ceremonies of the order. The installation was conducted by District Deputy Grand Master, James L. Bowker, who is every way qualified for the duties of his office and a most excellent installing officer. He was ably assisted by Worthy Marshal, Horace C. Berry. The excellent music by the choir given at intervals during the installation met with frequent applause. At the conclusion of the ceremonies several of the members occupied the time with brief speeches until the Worthy Master announced supper, when the large company was invited to retire to the lower hall where none needed an invitation to be seated around the three handsomely laid tables which were ready to test the appetites of the hungry throng. Oysters and pastry were served and the several members who acted as waiters showed their good will in being bound that each and every guest should have enough. It was "eat, drink and be merry" in good earnest. And we will say in conclusion that this occasion could not be otherwise than pleasant to all, which speaks for the good and prosperity of Jefferson Lodge. May it ever prosper. The following are the officers installed for the ensuing year: A. M. Chase, W. M.; Arthur C. Ricker, S. W.; Geo. D. Houghton, J. W.; Alden Chase, S.; R. K. Dunham, T.; J. W. Farnum, S. D.; Sidney Littlefield, J. D.; H. M. Estes, S. S.; W. H. Davis, J. S.; J. L. Bowker, M.; L. H. Tabor, C.; D. G. Swan, Tyler.

HARTFORD.

Santa Claus called at my residence at early morn on that day, and left me many valuable tokens of respect, including choise mental food, not forgetting Mrs. Hartford. Last Christmas being at East Buckfield Chapel at the close of my poem I said, "I thought it would be the last time I should read before them on such an occasion, having read nine times, but if able I would come and listen to some one." Rev. Mr. Scott, now of Sumner, in his closing and heart-felt remarks said, "he wished I should be able to come nine times more." As I could not go, I thought of Bro. Scott, who I believe will die with the harness on in his Master's work.

I noticed in my last Weekly *Journal* a notice of my recent illness. I once noticed my name among the deaths in the Journal. I corrected that. I may live to pen many more articles for my long loved Journal, which I so much admire.
HARFOTRD.

EAST WATERFORD.

Liberty Kilgore is employing four horses and one pair of oxen hauling timber to Haskell's mill for Johnson & McIntire.

The winter school under the instruction of Miss Baker closes this week. We understand the term has been very successful.

Elmer Haggett goes to Gorham, Me. next week to open a blacksmith's shop.

RUMFORD.

S. V. Abbott has engaged Sumner Sessions to haul seventy-five to one hundred thousand feet of logs to his mill.

Mrs. Sylvania Ryerson got a pension with $1884.30 back pay. The check came by Saturday's mail, and immediately M. F. Knight was called to make the writings for Wm. T. Greenleaf's farm which she bought, paying $1,300. Mr. Greenleaf is about to move to Auburn.

Wm. Hemming has sold his mill with six hundred acres of wild land to Messrs. Tibbetts & Rand of Lisbon. We understand they have engaged one hundred and fifty cords of birch to be hauled, and some fifty to one hundred thousand of board lumber.

Messrs. Mann are getting quite a lot of lumber, and if good wishes are worth anything they will flourish, as they have them from all their acquaintances.

One of the best signs of the the times is that all seem to be busy, none idle and help scarce.
C.

MECHANIC FALLS.

W. B. Davis of Hackett's Mills lost his house and other buildings by fire Tuesday of this week.

The entertainment and supper last Thursday given by the Ladies of the Univ. Society was largely attended.

F. A. Millett, esq., while on his way home last Saturday evening slipped on the ice and making a spring to save himself from falling he struck his foot in such a way that it turned breaking two bones of the leg.

The week of prayer was observed by union meetings of the Methodist and Cong. churches.

The concert given at the Univ. church a couple of weeks ago, will be repeated this Saturday by request for the benefit of the G. A. R. Post, the proceeds to go towards a monument for the soldiers.

Prof. J. U. P. Burnham of Norway has opened his Photo parlor here.

New timbers are being laid under the floor of Murray Hall.

OBITUARIES.

Mrs. Mary D. Horr was born in Claremont, N. H., Nov. 28th, 1809, and died in Waterford, Me., Jan. 5th, 1884, at 2 o'clock a. m., aged 74 years, 1 month and 8 days. Mrs. Horr was the daughter of Deliverance and Eliza Davis, with whom she and her brothers and sisters younger than herself moved to Waterford while but a child. One sister and two brothers still survive her. Also a sorrowing husband, one daughter and three sons deeply mourn her loss, while two sons have preceded her to the spirit world. She was married to her husband, Wm. Horr, on the 14th of March, 1832. Thus they had passed the Golden Wedding period by nearly two years. For many years she suffered much from ill health, but in her last sickness of about four weeks she suffered intensely much of the time, yet with great patience and christian fortitude, never complaining but saying it was all right. Sister Horr was converted to christianity in early life and united with the Methodists of Waterford. She found the grace of God sufficient for the last hour. A few hours before her departure, while in a partially conscious state, she waved her hand to some unseen one and said "Take me." All that could be done by kind husband, sister, sons and daughter was done to alleviate the sufferer, but despite of all at 2 o'clock on the morning of the 5th of Jan., she passed from her pleasant home and loved ones of earth to receive a far more beautiful one above, we trust. The funeral took place at her late residence on Monday, Jan. 7th, at 10½ o'clock, Rev. Mr. Snow officiating. His theme was life and its mystery revealed by the Bible. The music was furnished by the Grange choir.
S.

Died in North Norway, January 9th, Mr. Freeman Hucthinson, aged 68 years. The inhabitants of North Norway are mourners now, for an honest man, an upright citizen, a good neighbor and genial friend has left us, and we shall see his face no more in this life. The parental home of our lamented friend was on the farm now owned by E. S. Hutchinson. After reaching majority he learned a profitable trade, and by industry and perseverance he wisely accumulated a handsome property before he tried to establish a home of his own. Then he married a worthy young woman and settled in Milan, N. H., where he resided until surrounded by a family of enterprising children, who aspired to higher educational advantages and literary attainments than Milan afforded. So, for their sake he moved to Auburn, Me., and was rewarded by seeing his children improve the advantages given them, and become useful and honored members of society. But after his dear wife died and his children were well settled, his lonely heart turned toward the hill country, and he longed for the associations of his youthful days. To him green fields and fruitful orchards were far pleasanter than brick walls and stone pavements; and a quiet country life was more to his taste than the rush and turmoil of the crowded city. So he came back and secured a home among the hills where his young feet had roved. And we, who remembered the upright and enterprising young man of earlier years, were glad to welcome him back and greet him as a friend and brother. In Norway he found another excellent wife who made sunshine in his home and heart even when sorrow pressed heavily upon him. Through his long sickness she was attentive to every want and fancy, and watched over him day and night until the end. Two of his children came to help care for him in his last days.

Mr. Hutchinson was a true friend of his race. He was an enthusiastic lover of all moral reform, a strong advocate of temperance, and an ardent defender of liberty. He believed that all men in the sight of their Creator were equal, and he looked upon human slavery with abhorrence, and cast his influence against it with all his might. His love of liberty was shown in the names he gave two of his sons. One he called Liberty, and another Freedom.

When our friend settled among us, he said he came here to hide from trouble. He had buried away his wife and four dear children and he thought he could bear no more sorrow. For three years he really enjoyed life, and his prospect seemed good for many years of happiness. His own home was pleasant; his sons had come to honor; his two daughters were well settled, and he was justly proud of his family. When his son was elected Speaker of the House of Representatives at Augusta, the pleased father said, "I always knew Liberty was a smart boy, but I did not expect he would rise so high in so short a time." But alas! Liberty was soon cut down in the glory of his prime by the relentless reaper, Death, and his father's heart was again wrung with anguish. His own health began to fail soon after the death of his son, and now he is gone. Though his friends bitterly mourn the loss of husband, father, brother and friend, it is well for that tender, sensitive, noble heart, that he did not live to bury any more of his loved ones. He rests from his labors and his earthly sorrows are ended. He has found, at last, a hiding place from trouble. He will still live in our memory, and may we all meet him,
"In the dawning of the morning,
When the mists have cleared away."

LOVELL.

John Fox has just lost a valuable cow caused by breaking her leg.

Albert Kendall has a child very sick with lung fever. Mr. L. Hatch has two children very sick, one with lung fever and one with typhoid fever.

I recently heard a lady and gentleman say they were greatly pleased to read the reminiscences of Norway written by Hon. Charles P. Kimball, of Chicago. They well remember all that he spoke of, and they were present at the first trial of the fire engine.
ELGEVA.

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BIRTHS.

In Snow's Falls, Jan. 10, to Mr. and Mrs. Benj. N. Stone, a daughter.

In Shiloh, Va., Jan. 1, to Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Whitehouse, a son. [Lawrence Butts.]

MARRIAGES.

In Milan, N. H., Jan. 13, at the residence of the bride's father, by Rev. O. S. Danforth, Jont B. Leavitt of E. Northwood, N. H., and Lizzie A. Stevens of M.

In Canton, Jan. 12, by Hiram A. Ellis, esq., Mr. John C. F. Coburn and Miss M. A. Edgecomb, both of Canton.

In West Paris, Jan. 6, by Rev. N. D. Center, Mr. Jerry O. Estis and Miss Martha J. Bartlett, both of Bethel.

DEATHS.

In Norway, Jan. 15, Daniel Hall Harmon, aged 62 years and 7 months.

In South Paris, Dec. 29, of pneumonia, Mrs. Ana Walker, widow of Joseph Bickford.

In Paris, Jan. 11, Peleg B. Hammond, aged 75 years.

In Hebron, Jan. 11, Mr. Samuel Bradford, aged 90 years and 5 months.

In Waterford, Jan. 5, Mrs. Mary D. Horr, aged 74 years, 1 month and 8 days.

In Malden, Mass., Jan. 15, Mrs. Valeria G. Stone, aged 81 years.

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Finished by the best finisher in Maine, warranted, on large gilt cards; your choice of 19 kinds of scenery!
This offer is only good for 4 weeks, and for cash in advance. Young Ladies look better to dress in white. Circulars free.
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C. N. TUBBS & Co.
KEEPS
Canned Goods,
Granulated Meal,
A CHOICE lot of
GROCERIES,
SHEETING, FLANNELLS, ETC.
BEST OF FLOTR ALWAYS
IN ABUNDANCE.
We keep Washbourn's Patent.
" " Pillsbury's "
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Also, a Lage Stock of Roller Flour.

Good News to All!!
FOUND AT LAST.
Oh, My! Where! What is it?
WHY, ONLY THIS;
That the best place to buy Store Goods of all kinds, is at
H. N. BOLSTER'S,
Market Square, - - - South Paris, Me.,
Who has a full line of all kinds of goods usually kept in a country store; and everything will be sold at *Bottom Prices* We don't "*blow*" on the low price of a few "*special articles*." but we will say that we believe we *can* and *will* sell as many goods for
—$10.00,—
as any dealer in Oxford county, and if you don't believe it, bring along $10 and come in and "tempt us," and see what we will do. We have a full line of
Dry Goods, Groceries, Glass and Grockery Ware!
Hosiery, Gloves, Boots and Shoes, Hats and Caps, Notions, Etc.
Also FLOUR, Salt, Lime, Cement & Hair.
We keep a good line of WOOLENS, and will manufacture the same into Gents Suits, *allow prices* and on short notice.
Please to call and see us *soon*, and bring along the cash, and swap it for needed supplies, and see if you don't get a *big value* for it *every time*, at H. N. BOLSTER'S, Market Square, South Paris.

REPORT

of the condition of the NORWAY NATIONAL BANK, at Norway, in the State of Maine, at the close of business, December 31, 1883.

RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts,	$132,109.79
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation.	50,000.00
Other stocks, bonds, and mortgages,	6,190.00
Due from approved reserve agents,	4,497.29
Due from other National Banks,	5,010.71
Furniture and fixtures,	3,253.99
Current expenses and taxes paid,	1,250.77
Premiums paid,	12,815.23
Checks and other cash items,	3,684.49
Bills of other Banks,	4,718.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and pennies,	5.03
Specie,	3,793.00
Legal Tender Notes,	4,000.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer,	2,250.00
Total,	$233,578.30

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in,	$100,000.00
Surplus fund,	10,000.00
Undivided profits,	5,629.27
National Bank notes outstanding,	45,000.00
Dividends unpaid,	461.00
Individual deposits subject to check,	64,296.14
Demand certificates of deposit,	5,905.00
Due to other National Banks	114.21
Due to State Banks and bankers,	2,172.68
Total,	$233,378.30

STATE OF MAINE, County of Oxford, ss.

I, HOWARD D. SMITH, Cashier, of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
H. D. SMITH, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16th day of January, 1884. C. E. HOLT, *Justice of the Peace.*

CORRECT—Attest:
H. M. BEARCE,
W. H. WHITCOMB, } Directors.
L. F. PIKE,

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE.

To dispose of the STOCK in TRADE of the late
W. F. FOSTER,
Goods will be Sold for the next 30 days At Cost!
FLOUR,
MIDDLINGS,
COTTON SEED MEAL,
GRAIN,
MILL FEED,
MIDDLINGS, etc., etc.
Call at the
Mill at the Falls,
At once and SAVE MONEY as the Goods must be disposed of.
H. D. SMITH,
Administrator.

RECOMMENDATION.

WE, the undersigned, have employed Dr. TWOMBLY, the Chiropodist, and cheerfully recommend him as an expert in the painless removal of corns, bunions, club and ingrowing nails. We feel satisfied with his work and recommend him to those who may desire his services.

F. W. Sanborn, Chas. E. Waterhous,
J. E. Dunham, Olive A. Woodsum,
W. W. Whitmarsh, Mrs. E. H. Brown,
and many others.

Dr. Twombly will be at the Elm House over next Sunday. He probably will be at South Paris a few days the last of next week.

Children's Sleds and Sleighs!
At Crockett's Drug Store, Norway, Me.

Pianos & Organs
OF ALL KINDS,
For sale, by
A. J. NEVERS,
Norway, Me.
If you are thinking of buying a Piano or Organ, you will learn something to your advantage by calling on me at the Post Office. (eow)

The Bakery Store!
C. E. RINES,
Proprietor.
Norway, Me.
A COMPLETE LINE OF
Ghoice Groceries,
AT LOWEST PRICES.
LUNCH ROOMS CONNECTED. TEA and COFFEE and OYSTERS served. Also all goods usually found at a first-class bakery.
Call---next Store to Academy.

MILLINERY!
Fancy Goods
—AND—
FURS,
Selling at Reduced Prices,
THROUGH THE
HOLIDAYS!
At Mrs. A. B. CHASE'S, Norway, Me.

Bridgton Academy.
The Spring Term of Twelve Weeks begins
Tuesday, January 29th, 1884.
With the usual full corps of instructors.
Every reasonable facility and convenience will be offered to students and every effort made to sustain the excellent reputation that has been gained in the past.
Especial attention is called to the following points which is of the highest interest to pupils of any age or grade, and in which
Bridgton Academy stands Unquestionably First.
The number and efficiency of its instructors.
The wide range of its courses of study.
The large number and excellence of its students, and especially the number of teachers enrolled as students.
The arrangement of its terms so as to best accommodate those students who have to pay their way themselves.
The excellent boarding arrangements and the very low expenses.
The elaborate equipment of apparatus and the extensive cabinet and library.
The wholesome discipline, and consequently the high moral standing of the school.
The very healthy and quiet location, and the almost absolute freedom from outside matters tending to detract the attention of students from their work.
Correspondence is solicited.
For catalogues, or any information, address the Principal or Secretary.
GEO. E. CHADBOURNE, Sec'y.

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New Hampton, N. H.
Rev. A. B. MESERVEY, Ph. D.,
PRINCIPAL,
With Eight Associate Teachers.
Regular courses of study for both sexes.
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Four Terms of Ten Weeks each.
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Of all kinds at CROCKETT'S Drug Store.

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Fall and Winter Patterns!
OTTOMANS,
SERGES,
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The most complete line of Goods to be found in this section of the State. They will surely please both in quality and in prices.
BARGAINS IN
BLACK SILKS!
Call & examine our Stock.
Gloves,
Hosiery,
Laces,
Buttons,
At Bottom Prices!
Boots,
Shoes,
Rubbers,
All the best makes at low Prices!
Remnant Sheetings,
AT A
LOW PRICE!
CALL AT
Whitcomb and Locke's,
Norway, Me.

Crockett's Yellow Dock Bitters!
For Loss of Apetite. Dyspepsia, etc., 50c. per per bottle, at Crockett's Drug Store.

STATEMENT OF THE
PHŒNIX INSURANCE CO.,
Of Hartford, Conn.,
On the 31st day of December, 1883.

The Capital Stock of the Company, which is all paid in, is $2,000,000.00

The Assets of the Company are as follows:

Cash on hand and in bank, in hands of agents & in course of transmission	$574,315.90
Real estate	178,255.31
United States stocks and Bonds	126,380.00
State, County & Municipal securities	299,317.91
Bank stocks	997,618.00
School District, Corporation and Water Bonds	249,870.00
Railroad stocks and bonds	1,529,985.00
Loans on collateral	304,367.00
Loans on real estate	151,380.00
Interest and rents accrued	13,559.76
Total assets	$4,435,048.88

LIABILITIES.

Cash capital	2,000,000.00
Reserve for unadjusted losses	215,589.71
Reserve for reinsurance	1,197,467.47
Net surplus	1,021,991.70
Total assets	$4,435,048.88

H. KELLOGG, President.
D. W. C. SKILTON, Secretary.

STATE OF CONNECTICUT, COUNTY OF HARTFORD, }
HARTFORD, January 3d, 1884.

Personally appeared, H. Kellogg, President, and D. W. C. Skilton, Secretary of said Phœnix Insurance Company, and made oath to the truth of the foregoing statement, by them subscribed, according to their best knowledge and belief.

Before me, M. N. CLARK, *Notary Public.*
FREELAND HOWE Agent,
Norway, Me.

F. D. WELCOME,
DEALER IN
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Choice Strawberry Plants!
Only the best stock handled from the famous nurseries of ELLWANGER & BARRY, of Rochester, N. Y.
For particulars address the above at
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The subscriber hereby gives public notice that she has been duly appointed by the Honorable Judge of Probate for the County of Oxford, and assumed the trust of Executrix of the estate of
CALVIN HAPGOOD, late of Sweden,
in said county, deceased, by giving bond as the law directs; she therefore requests all persons indebted to the estate of said deceased, to make immediate payment, and those who have any demands thereon to exhibit the same to MARY J. HAPGOOD.
December 18, 1883.

Marked Down!
TO CLOSE OUT
Winter Goods,
AND MAKE ROOM FOR A
Large Spring Stock!
I shall sell for 60 days at reduced prices, as follows:

One Lot Ladies' Sacques at	$5.00
" " " " "	7.50
" " " Dolmans at	9.50
" " " " at	12.00

These are all *new garments*, and *made to order this season*, and are *big bargains*.
Also a large line of *CLOAKINGS, DRESS, GOODS, SHAWLS, UNDER FLANNELS, BLANKETS, PUFFS,* SHIRTING FLANNELS, WOOLENS, HOSIERY, SCARFS, HOODS, and everything in the line of *Winter Goods.*
Remember we dont keep damaged auction goods, but everything is New and Fresh, and just as advertised, and we shall sell them at the LOWEST CASH PRICES.
I take this opportunity to thank my many customers for the liberal patronage they have given me in the past four years, and pledge myself to give them in the future the same honorable dealing that I have in the past.
Very Respectfully,
M. M. PHINNEY, Norway Village.

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Beware of traveling agents, that you may never see again, and get your work done near home.
We warrant our work, and can copy from any kind of a picture. Life Size portraits a specialty. Pictures framed at short notice. W. C. PIERCE, Norway, Me.

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Drugs,
Medicines,
Chemicals,
Perfumes,
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Fancy Goods,
Paints,
Oils,
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CUTLERY,
PARIS HILL
Sleds!
Wall Papers,
Borders, Curtains & Fixtures,
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&c. &c.
In short, everything usually found in a
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Crockery, Glass, Tin, Fancy Goods,
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Lamps and Lamp Goods of Every Description!
NORWAY, ME.
We are not selling at cost, but have just received direct from the factory, a large lot of LAMPS and LAMP GOODS, which we shall offer until sold, at lower prices than ever.
We have 12 New Styles Table Lamps with Opal Dome Shade, complete, for 92c each.
12 New Styles Table Lamps with Opal Dome Shade, complete for $1.00 each.
Also, a variety of styles TABLE LAMPS from $1.25 to $5.00 each.
HANGING LAMPS.
No. 466, LIBRARY LAMP,
French Verde, 14 inch Shade, $3.00.
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Ebony & Gold, 14 inch Shade, 3.50,
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Extra Gilt, 14 inch Shade, 3.70
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14 inch Shade, 3.95.
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14 inch Shade, 5.00.
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ALSO,
One Case 7 inch Opal shades, at 10 Cents each.
HOBB'S VARIETY STORE, Norway.

Maine Farmer's Almanac for '84,
For 5c. at, Crockett's Drug Stote.

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IN THE
CLOTHING BUSINESS!
—AT—
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Now is your time to save a dollar, if you have got to buy CLOTHING, as we are bound to close out every heavy garment in our store, let the sacrifice be what it will.
We are not going to make much talk, nor quote many prices, but want everybody to come and judge for themselves, whether we mean business or not.
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Any customer buying Goods at our store, and on reaching home is not satisfied, we will refund the money just as willingly as we took it. Remember the place.
BICKNELL & NEAL,
BEAL BLOCK, just below Beal's Hotel,
Branch of Lewiston, Norway, Me.

We invite you to inspect our stock and you will be convinced that we have the largest, best and most perfect
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in Maine outside of the large cities. We have the largest and best display of
Christmas Slippers
in town, and we are determined to sell them at a small margain. Call in and examine.
J. F. ALLEN'S
Boot and Shoe Store!

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—OF—
Hebron Academy
WILL BEGIN
Tuesday, February 5th, 1884,
And Continue 12 Weeks.
W. W. MAYO, A. M., Principal, Latin and Greek.
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The following Branches will be Taught: Latin, 4 classes; Greek, 3 classes; French, German, English Literature, Rhetoric, English Analysis, Punctuation & Composition, English Grammar, Astronomy, Physiology, Hist. of Rome, Geometry, Algebra 2 classes, Arithmetic, Book Keeping and Reading.
Fifty minutes are given to each recitation. For a catalogue or any information, address W. W. MAYO, Principal.
Hebron, Me., Jan. 1, 1884.

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For the next 30 days
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Dry Goods!
Regardless of Cost,
AT HIS STORE.
Sale to commence Jan. 1, 1884.
Call early and make selections.
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Horse Blankets!
That are made for a Horse and suitable for a Horse and will Fit a Horse!!
Are for sale at
CYRUS S. TUCKER,S Harness Store,
At prices that cannot be duplicated.

Good Wooly Blanket,	$00.75
A better one,	.85
Still better ones,	.95
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Special Bargains
IN
MILLINERY!
We have made a *great reduction* in goods. Shall sell less than value for the next 30 days, in order to
Close Out Our
Fall and Winter Stock.
Call and get our Prices!

OPENING!
THE SPRING CAMPAIGN.
We have the GOODS in our storehouse, and they must move out! Will you help us? We do our part by naming the following prices. until this stock is sold:

Stockbridge's Corn Manure per ton,	$45
" Potato " "	$45
Standard Superphosphate "	$37
Bowker's Animal Fertilizer, "	$38

These are all Standard quality.
We want the *room* and give you our profits! Come while it is good sledding.
Terms, 9 months on all bills over $10.
MASON BROTHERS,
Norway, Me.

DIARIES for 1884 at CROCKETT'S DRUG STORE, Norway, Me.

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FUR GOODS
Silk Lace & Linen Handkerchiefs.
to be found in a first-class Fancy Goods Store, at low prices.

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Music: Norway Band!
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For 4 new subscribers for the BOSTON WEEKLY POST, and $4 we will send the Cottage Hearth one year free.
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Would call your attention to the fact that he has now on hand the
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PIANOS
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PRICES:
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Situated in Norway, on the Millett Brook, and on Paris line, about 2 miles from Norway Village, about 15 acres, covered with pine and hard wood growth. Will sell Timber & Wood with or without land.
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DOORS, WINDOWS, BLINDS

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We do not claim to cure consumption when thoroughly seated, but we do claim that thousands of lives might be saved every year by the timely use of Dr. Lawrence's Cough Balsam.

Many people imagine they have consumption when in reality they only have a bad cold which can easily be cured by proper care and the right kind of medicine. We could fill columns with testimonials, but do not believe in that way of advertising, our idea is to let *everybody that is afflicted with a cough try for themselves and if not perfectly satisfied, return the empty bottle to the dealer of whom it was bought and receive their money back.*

Price for Trial Size, 25 Cts. Family Size $1.00 per bottle.

Remember, No Cure, No Pay!

NEWS OF THE DAY

GENERAL ITEMS.

—Near Colorado River a San Angelo stage, south bound, was halted by four mounted men, who robbed the mail sacks and passengers and then delayed the coach until the arrival of a north bound stage, which they also plundered. There was a large amount of registered matter in the south bound coach, and it is believed the thieves have made a heavy haul.

—The brig Arcot arrived at New York with the crew of the Maggie M Rivers, which became waterlogged on the 8th inst. and was abandoned.

—The trouble with the discharged railroad men at Portland, Oregon, continues. The mob was driven from one locality by the military.

—During a riot among Italian railroad laborers at Erie, Pa., one man was killed and another mortally wounded.

—Swine for breeding purposes imported into Canada from the United States are to be quarantined twenty-one days.

—It is urged from the West that a prohibitory tariff be enacted on French and German wines in retaliation for their action concerning American pork.

—A Philadelphia thief, while escaping from a house which he had robbed, fell and broke his left ankle. His groans were heard by a policeman, who arrested him.

—The Coroner's jury censure the management of the convent at Belleville, Ill for not taking precautions against loss of life by fire.

—The making of hob nails by machinery will throw hundreds of men out of trade.

—At Weisser, Idaho, masked men took an alleged murderer from the jail to a slaughter house and there hanged him.

—The funeral services at the Temple Emanu-El, in New York city, over the remains of the late Dr. Edward Lasker drew a large and distinguished attendance. The crowds outside which were unable to gain admittance acted in such a disorderly manner that it was found necessary to call out the police reserves. The remains of the distinguished statesman will be taken to Germany.

—The unidentified remains of the victims of the recent convent fire, with some others, were buried with imposing ceremonies at Belleville, Ill.

—The remains of Captain Webb, who was drowned in the Niagara Rapids, were exhumed and re-interred.

—While felling trees in Erie county, Pa., one man was killed and his brother seriously injured.

—An imbecile boy set himself on fire and was burned to death at Providence, R. I.

—Border rustlers wantonly murdered four Mexican laborers in New Mexico.

—A young woman shot herself at Erie, Pa., because of unrequited love.

—The fireman of an Erie train was blown from his tender by the wind and killed near Buffalo.

—A fight between Chippewa and Pottawatomie Indians, in which five of the combatants were killed, is reported from Wisconsin.

—An entire family of negroes, William Croom and wife and six children, were burned to death Saturday night on the plantation of W. G. Taylor, in Lenoir county, N. C. That night was the coldest weather experienced there for twenty years, and it is supposed that a large fire was made before the family retired and that the house caught fire from the blazing brands rolling on the floor.

—Tuesday night's storm was exceedingly destructive in its effects at Coney Island, Long Branch, Seabright and all along the New Jersey coast and parts of the Long Island shore. At Manhattan and Brighton beaches thousands of dollars' worth of property was wrecked. Much damage in the aggregate was done along the water front in New York city and Brooklyn.

—Judge Ingraham, of New York city, granted a temporary injunction at the instance of Bartley Campbell restraining Mrs. Langtry from using the title "Peril" to her play at the Fifth Avenue Theatre.

—At a fire in an east side factory in New York City, the water was so scarce that two engines had to pump into one hose.

—Plymouth Church pews were sold at auction. The premiums bid amounted to $22,011. Last year the amount was $25,338.50.

—The Governor of New Jersey in his message says that the State finances are in a gratifying condition.

—The members of the Salvation Army arrested in Bridgeport for disorderly conduct were fined by the magistrates. They will appeal to a higher court.

—At Mount Holly, N. J., the watchman who shot a young man because he thought him a thief was found guilty of manslaughter.

—Two men who undertook to cross the St. Lawrence river between the Thousand Islands were frozen on the way.

WASHINGTON NOTES.

The Mexican Reciprocity will be considered by the Senate very soon. It will doubtless be ratified.

The falling off in the value of exports from Great Britain and Ireland during the fiscal year ending September 30, 1883, was $14,231,-853.

The report of the House Military Committee on the Fitz John Porter case fully exonerates that officer.

Secretary Folger recommends an appropriation of $55,000 to continue the work on the Albany Post Office building.

Tariff discussion in the House is to be opened early in February by two Ohio members, Messrs. Converse and Hurd, who will debate the duty on wool.

At a meeting of the Senate Committee on Improvements of the Mississippi River, Thursday, Senator Gibson's joint resolution, appropriating $1,000,000 to be immediately available for the continuance of the works in progress on the Mississippi River was ordered to be reported.

The correspondence touching the Yellowstone Park, sent to the Senate discloses the fact that the regulations of the department are disregarded by residents and visitors.

The postal telegraph system is under consideration by committees in both Senate and House.

Mr. Belmont and Mr. Hewitt introduced resolutions of inquiry in the House, regarding the undervaluation of imported merchandise.

The threats of retaliation for the discrimination against American products in Europe and elsewhere are having the best effect.

One claim agent in Washington, gathered 30,000 signatures of soldiers, or alleged soldiers, asking for additional pension legislation.

Mr. Stevenson, of the Geological Survey, reports the discovery of several cave and cliff cities different in some respects from any He had before examined.

The proposition to equalize bounties has been introduced by at least a dozen members in both Houses. There have been several official calculations made of the amount which the passage of such a bill would cost. The Paymaster General estimated that it would require, as a minimum, $137,000,000, and that the amount might run up to $163,000,000. No official calculation places the sum required at less than $125,000,000. Aside from this at least two hundred and fifty additional clerks will be needed to make the settlement.

UNITED STATES CONGRESS.

SENATE.

Mr. Anthony introduced a resolution instructing the Committee on Foreign Relations to inquire into the expediency of legislation that will enable the Executive to protect our interests against those Governments which have prohibited or restrained the importation of healthful meats from the United States." It went over, on Mr. Van Wyck's suggestion, a similar resolution, introduced in the House by Mr. Kasson, was adopted by that body.

Mr. Dawes introduced a bill to provide for the transmission of correspondence by telegraph. The bill provides for the creation of a United States postal telegraph company, under the direction of the Post Office Department, the creation of the office of Fourth Assistant Postmaster General, this official to be president of the board of directors of the company, and for the establishment of postal telegraph offices at post offices throughout the United States and the transmission of correspondence from such postal telegraph offices.

Mr. Cullom, of Illinois, addressed the Senate on his bill to reorganize the legislative power of Utah. Mr. Brown, of Georgia, interposed constitutional objections to the measure.

Senator Edmunds introduced a bill, approved by the Secretary of the Treasury, for the relief of the survivors of the Jeannette.

The Senate passed a bill appropriating $1,-000,000 to continue the improvements already begun by the Mississippi River Improvement Commission, with the provision that the money be used for no other purpose.

HOUSE.

Mr. Buckner introduced his bill to prevent undue contraction of paper circulation.

Mr. Weller, of Iowa, introduced a bill which provides for the issue of $500,000,000 in treasury notes, with which to pay to soldiers and sailors the difference in value between the money paid to them and gold, together with eight per cent. interest thereon.

Mr. Thomas, who is a republican from Illinois, introduced a bill granting pensions to all United States soldiers and sailors in the late war who served thirty days or more in any engagement therein, and to the widows of all soldiers deceased.

Mr. Townshend, of Illinois, offered a resolution, which was adopted, requesting the President to furnish the House with information relating to the exclusion of American hog products from Germany and France.

Among the bills introduced was the expected Whiskey bill, which was introduced by Representative Willis, of Kentucky, and which provides that the bonded period shall be extended two years.

Mr. Beach (N. Y.) introduced a bill making the following amendments to the Constitution: 1. Uniform laws on the subject of marriage and divorce; 2. Giving the President power to veto one or more items in an appropriation bill; 3. Creating a statute of limitations to all claims against the United States; 4. The credit, money and property of the United States not to be loaned or be given to private corporations; 5. Prohibiting the granting of exclusive privileges and forbidding legislation on appropriation bills.

Mr. Robinson (N. Y.) introduced a resolution calling on the Secretary of State for information as to whether our Ministers obey the law of March 27, 1867, which forbids them from appearing in public in court dress and requires them to wear the ordinary apparel of an American citizen.

Mr. Bagley, of New York, introduced a bill appropriating $130,000 for the statue of Liberty Enlightening the World, to be erected in New York harbor.

Mr. Slocum, of New York, from the Committee on Shipbuilding and Ship Owning interests, reported the Dingley Shipping bill as unanimously agreed to by the committee.

Gen. Slocum reported favorably the bill for the relief of Fitz John Porter; as it is the first bill on the private calendar, it will be considered soon. There is a minority report against the bill, but a number of Republicans say they will speak for it.

The Pension bill, as prepared by the Subcommittee and presented to the House, appropriates $80,000,000. Amendments are made to the existing law regarding fees of physicians and agents.

FOREIGN ITEMS.

—Everything throughout Upper Egypt denotes the immediate spread of the insurrection to Lower Egypt, and it is feared that when the retreat from Khartoum begins Colonel Coetlogon will be cut off and a massacre will be the result. Should Colonel Coetlogon succeed in reaching Berber, still his march eastward toward Suakim would be impeded by the tribes rising between Berber and Wady-Halfa.

—Four thousand unemployed persons in Paris held a meeting on Sunday and called for an armed revolution.

—Additional troops are to be sent to places in Ireland where Nationalist meetings are announced to be held.

—An explosion of firedamp occurred on Friday at the Ferfy coal mine, near Arras, France. Seven men were killed, and twelve, who were injured, were rescued. It is feared that five others, who are not accounted for, have perished.

—The Upper House of the Hungarian Diet has rejected, by a vote of 200 to 191, the bill legalizing marriages between Jews and Christians.

—The Viceroy of Canton now calls upon the people to repel the French invaders.

—In the southern provinces of China the Catholic missionaries have been subjected to renewed persecution.

—The Grand Hotel Vina del Mar, in Valparaiso, was totally destroyed by fire on Friday afternoon.

—Severe shocks of earthquake were felt on Friday at the towns of Linguaglossa and Castiglione in the Island of Sicily.

—The Egyptian Ministry of War has drafted a statement regarding the proposed evacuation of the Soudan. It shows that there are 21,000 men and eighty-four guns in the Soudan. The removal to Khartoum of the ammunition stored at Kassala would require 4,000 camels, or 6,000 if the material on the Abyssinian frontier should also be removed. A march from Berber to Wady-Halfa through the desert would be impossible. It would be necessary therefore to make the journey by river, which would take three months and require 1,300 boats.

—It is reported that owing to Fenian threats the garrison at Windsor Castle has been ordered to be ready to turn out at a moment's notice.

—The Russian Treasury on Friday paid 50,000,000 roubles of the public debt.

—Fifty-six steamers at Marseilles have been abandoned by their crews on strike.

—A revolutionary league among the students at Moscow has been discovered.

THE LOTTERY OCTOPUS.

A WHOLE STATE IN ITS CLOSE EMBRACE.

Its Demoralizing Influence Upon the People—A Sad Condition of Society—A Few Pitiful Instances.

The demoralizing and corrupting influence of the lottery is thus referred to by a New Orleans correspondent of the New York *Times:* It taints everything here from business measures to domestic happiness. Its most baleful effects are seen in the suspicion and distrust which it creates between employers and employees, between masters and servants, between husbands and wives, and even between parents and children; in the sundering of social relations, and in its incitement to crimes like embezzlement and other breaches of trust which are becoming alarmingly frequent. The temptations to indulge in this form of gambling are numerous here and generally throughout the State. There is no hamlet, however small, which has not its shops for the sale of tickets and which is not placarded over with the specious announcements of the company. In this city, if one were to judge solely from appearances, he would come to the conclusion that the selling of lottery tickets was one of its chief industries. Every business thoroughfare and many which can in no sense be considered such has its frequent displays of the tempting little slips of paper of divers colors with cabalistic devices printed on them. The slips are hung in show windows on rods or strings so as to catch the eye of the wayfarer, and the arrays at a distance look like miniature clotheslines full of garments. There is no escaping these displays. They deck the gorgeous gin palaces, the cigar shops, the haberdasher's, the butcher's and baker's and candlestick-maker's places, the hotels, and even the millinery, dry goods, and candy stores. On the principal streets there is hardly a block which has not one of the displays, and on some blocks there are half a dozen or more places where the tickets can be procured. All classes are appealed to. The lottery company wants the pennies of the poor, as well as the dollars of those better provided with worldly goods, and it makes preparations to receive tribute from those in every station in life. It has a scheme of daily drawings, part-tickets for which can be obtained as low as two bits, or 25 cents each. The range is from this amount to the $10 needed for a ticket for the most pretentious of the drawings. There is no class of persons, not even the clergy, which is not to some extent addicted to this form of gambling. Boys are quite numerous in the list. Young lads at school club together their few pennies and buy tickets. Officeboys and bootblacks patronize the same industry. Young clerks in offices and counting-rooms stake money constantly on the chances of the wheel. Workmen deny themselves and pinch and stint their families and give their hard-earned wages to the sharks who grow rich on the weakness of their fellows. And business men, without stint, draw from their stores to add to the overflowing coffers of the gamblers. The passion extends to blacks as well as whites. The poor roustabouts and laborers who earn at best but scanty and precarious livlihood by most arduous labor, the plantation negroes from the cane and cotton fields, the waiters at the hotels, and the still poorer classes who eke out a very meager subsistance by the doing of odd jobs, all help to the extent of their means to the same end. With the women of all ages and divers colors the passion at times amounts almost to a mania. Colored cooks and servants vie with their white mistresses in giving way to the abominable vice, and young girls without number have been corrupted by this agency.

The condition of society to which indulgence in the pernicious habit has given rise is something extraordinary. Embezzlement has become so frequent in consequence as to excite hardly a comment, and the Governor of the State is constantly appealed to to pardon the victims of the lottery gamblers. Workmen steal from their employers, and cashiers from the funds entrusted to their care. Husbands are apprehensive about intrusting money into the hands of their wives, and not without reason. A typical case was told the writer a few days ago. A gentleman in quite comfortable circumstances was in the habit of allowing his wife a certain fixed amount for the expenses of the household. The sum was sufficiently large to provide most generous fare and to meet demands even of a most expensive kind. The supplies for the household, however, gradually kept declining in quantity and quality. At the beginning the circumstance was not especially noted. But, after awhile, the suspicions of the husband were aroused, and he made inquiry with a view to finding out why he and his family fared so badly. He learned to his astonishment that his wife had been smitten with the passion for gambling in lottery tickets. After reasoning with her to no purpose he was obliged to stop supplying her with money. This did not, however, daunt her. The poor, deluded woman went to tradesmen with whom the family were in the habit of dealing and obtained money, the amounts being set down as the prices of specified articles supposed to have been bought by her. With the money thus derived lottery tickets were purchased. By and by, the knowledge of this conduct also came to the husband's attention and a stormy scene followed. The wife's mania ended in the separation of the two and the breaking up of their home. This case is only one of many.

It has come to such a pass in this city that no prudent housewife will trust her cook or servant with money for marketing or other domestic purchases, knowing that the temptation to buy lottery tickets is usually too strong to be resisted. Household servants, admirable in all other respects, have been corrupted by the passion for the vice to such an extent as to go out of their way to steal money for the purpose. And even children have robbed the pockets of their parents to indulge in the fascinating but delusive habit, whose outcome here can be traced in poverty, crime and wretchedness.

There was some talk recently—it was ante-convention talk—to make a fair, square fight against the corruption. A lawyer in this city, known to be opposed to the lottery, was approached by a man who offered to give him a campaign document. The proposer was an elderly man, seedy, poverty-stricken and dejected.

"Let's see your document," said the lawyer.

"Here it is," said the other, as he drew with an effort a huge bundle of papers from the inside pocket of his coat. "Here it is. Here are tickets in the Louisiana State Lottery in which I have squandered $20,000, and I never drew a prize."

A LITTLE FIRE.—Near Blakely, Ga., a yoke of oxen ran away while the driver was standing behind them lighting his pipe. Dropping the match, he started in pursuit of the runaways. The pine straw took fire, and the fire spread, sweeping all before it. Some farmers lost nearly all their fencing, and a Mr. Davis, who was sick in bed, lost every building on his place except his dwelling, and that was saved with much difficulty.

SOME one asked a Marselaise tenor why he sang only in concerts. "It's very simple," he replied. "One day I fell down stairs and broke my voice, and this is why I only sing in pieces."—*Hotel Mail.*

THE FLORIDA EVERGLADES.

A Region Abounding in Reptiles and Worthless for Cultivation.

The New Orleans *Times* prints a detailed account of its Florida Everglades expedition. The report is written by Major A. P. Williams, who commanded the expedition. The exploring party consisted of 12 persons, 6 white and 6 colored. They took with them six Racine canoes. They went by steamer on Oct. 17 last from Cedar Keys to Punta Rassa, Fla., where they took to their canoes and proceeded up the Caloosahatchie river to Lake Okeechobee, a distance of about 90 miles, arriving there on Nov. 1. Skirting the western and southern shores of the Okeechobee, they discovered eight large streams flowing into the dense saw-grass swamp that borders on the Everglades. Entering one of these streams, which was named the "Times-Democrat," the expedition proceeded to its head, some three miles, on Nov. 10, and began the tedious work of cutting its way through the swamp to the saw-grass. The denseness of this swamp may be imagined from the fact that the party traveled on an average only about one quarter of a mile a day. Myriads of huge alligators, snakes, leeches, and poisonous bugs were encountered. The leeches were especially troublesome, covering the legs of the men, and demanding special attention. Emerging from the swamp they entered the saw-grass, which grows from 10 to 12 feet high and which is very dense, with sharp edges that cut one way and saw the other. This grass the party tired and pushed forward over the stubbles, which grew in water about three inches deep, the mud beneath being seemingly without bottom. The labor of pushing the canoes over this character of country was inconceivably great. After traveling due south some 10 miles the party struck an innumerable number of small lakes or ponds, most of which were 20 feet deep, filled with alligators and the finest fish.

About 30 miles from Okeechobee the party entered the grassy waters of the Everglades and encamped upon an island, the first dry land encountered after leaving the lake. The only trees on this island were the custard, apple, and wild fig. The progress of the expedition from that time was more rapid. They passed through thousands of small islands, some of which were slightly submerged, and all of which were covered with large trees and luxuriant foliage. In the southern glades there was an abundance of wild fowl, deer and fish. No Indians were met, although smoke from their fires was seen, and they seemed to hover about in the distance. Near the head of Shark's river, in the extreme southern glades, the progress of the expedition was greatly retarded by limestone boulders, which cropped out everywhere above the surface of the water, and over which it was necessary to carry the canoes. The head of Shark river was reached on Dec. 5, and the expedition, sailing down, debouched into Whitewater Bay, on the Gulf coast, about 30 miles from Cape Sable. The distance traveled from Lake Okeechobee to the Gulf was about 140 miles. The whole distance traveled in canoes was nearly 300 miles. There is no special current in the waters of the Everglades, but an almost imperceptible flow toward the south. But few flowers were discovered, and those were of simple varieties, such as water lilies and other varieties found in marshes all over Florida. The only snakes seen were moccasins. The mosquitoes were only troublesome at night.

The expedition has established the fact that the Everglades from Lake Okeechobee to Cape Sable are worthless for any purpose of cultivation; that they contain no large tracts of land above water; that they cannot be successfully drained, and that the establishment and maintenance of a telegraph line along the route traversed would be impossible. The Everglades, and especially the northern glades, are a vast swamp, irreclaimable and useless. The only portions of the southern peninsula capable of cultivation lie on the Atlantic and Gulf coasts with this vast morass between them.

Recognition of a Girl's Heroism.

The Iowa Legislature presented to Kate Shelby on January 15, the day on which it will take possession of the new capitol at Des Moines, with a handsome medal of the value of $150 and $200 in money, in recognition of her heroic act in preventing, on the night of July 6, 1881, at the risk of her life, a disaster on the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad near Moingona, Ia., which would have resulted, but for her, in an appalling loss of human life. The medal represents Kate in the act of crossing the railway bridge over the Des Moines river Above are the words: "Heroism, Youth, Humanity;" on the reverse of the medal is the following inscription: "Presented by the State of Iowa to Kate Shelby, with the thanks of the General Assembly. In recognition of the courage and devotion of a child of fifteen years, whom neither the terror of the elements nor the fear of death could appal in her efforts to save human life during the terrible storm and flood in the Des Moines Valley on the night of July 6, 1881."

Congressman Holmes, to whose efforts this action of the Iowa Legislature is largely due, hopes to secure, in addition to the small sum voted by the Legislature, enough money to pay for the education of Kate Shelby. Her family are poor. The father, who was a section foreman of the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad, was killed in an accident about ten years ago. The mother has since then endured many hardships and privations in the endeavor to bring up her five children. An effort will be made to relieve them as far as practicable and an appeal is to be made to the public for that purpose.

A Floating Palace of Ice.

The elegant propeller Wisconsin, of the Goodrich line, reached Milwaukee after a rough voyage across the lake and back without making harbor. She left there for Grand Haven Wednesday, just at the beginning of the intense cold snap, and after a perilous voyage sighted the Michigan harbor on Thursday, but was unable to enter it on account of ice, the intense cold and the terrific gale then blowing. The ship was put about and again made for Milwaukee. When she reached that port she presented a brilliant winter spectacle, being literally sheeted in ice nearly a foot thick, from keel to mast. The crew suffered intensely from the extreme cold during the trip, though none of them were seriously frost-bitten.

OIL.—Some experiments were made at Folkstone recently with an apparatus for calming troubled waters by means of oil. A pipe 1,000 feet in length was extended from the pier in an easterly direction and the oil was forced through this. Pumping commenced about five minutes previous to the arrival of the South-eastern Company's steam packet, and before she came to the broken water near the end of the pier, it was quite calmed by the action of the oil.

THE BRUTE.—The Duke of Wellington once met by accident an officer in a state of inebriety. "Look here, sir," said the Iron Duke, "what would you do if you met one of your men in the condition in which I find you?" The Colonel drew himself up, gave the military salute and replied with great gravity, "I would not condescend to say a word to the brute." His wit saved his commission.

THEY who do speak ill of themselves, do so mostly as the surest way of proving how modest and candid they are.

STUDY OF THE CORN CROP.

Results of Experiments Made with 135 Varieties of Corn at the New York Station.

Dr. Sturtevant gives, in a recent bulletin, some general conclusions arrived at through the study of the corn crop from 135 varieties planted last May. "The seed used was some of it selected on account of its purity; other seed was named from varieties, still other seed from varieties purposely hybridized, and seed which possessed peculiarities in appearance. The types represented were the three kinds of pop-corn—the flint pop, the pearl pop and the rice pop; the flints in eight-rowed and twelve-rowed varieties, and soft or Tuscaroras; the sweets in two or more types of ear, the one corresponding to the flint, another to the dent-corn ear; and the dents are also in two or more types, the eight-rowed with broad kernel, and another, the many-rowed, with deep kernel. We also had a pod or husk corn. The seed of the preceding yaer gives uniformity of ear; that is, a dent-corn seed may produce an eight-rowed flint, or an eighteen-rowed dent, but each ear will be perfect of its kind and will be free from kernels of other type than its own. The flint-corn kernel may produce several varieties of flint-corn ear, or dent-corn ear, but there will be no variety in the kernel upon the ear; a dent-corn seed may furnish a sweet-corn ear and dent-corn ears, but not mixed upon the cob. A pop-corn kernel may produce a sweet-corn ear of sweet-corn type, a sweet-corn ear of pop-corn type, or a pop-corn ear of the various types, without admixture of kernels upon the ear.

"On the other hand, hybridization of the current year produces changes in the kernel, so that one ear of corn may bear kernels of various colors and of various types, the tendency, however, being for the shape of the kernel to be governed by the type of the maize ear upon which it is found.

"The appearance of kernels of one variety upon ears of another variety, for each of the types, is of frequent and constant occurrence, except in the case of red ears. The red ears have a constancy of color which is truly remarkable; where sweet corn appears upon red-pop and red-dent ears, the sweet corn partakes of the red color.

"The practical value of these deductions consists in the guide they afford toward the improvement of the varieties of corn that we grow. For instance: By planting in adjoining hills, or, better still, the mixed seed of two varieties of corn, one of which is distinguished for its length of ear and smallness of cob, and the other for the large size of its kernel, we should anticipate in many instances the transfer of the large kernel to the small ear and of the small kernel to the large ear. By selecting from the crop those ears which have length and the large kernel, we should anticipate, by a series of selections, the attaining of a new variety in which the large kernel and length of cob would be persistent. The same remarks hold true with the dent corns. But in the matter of selections the true principle would seem to be to plant but one kernel of the desired type from an ear of the desired type, and to keep the plant from this kernel free from the influence of plants of another type and securing the crop through self-fertilization. After the first year of this procedure, by the selection of two or more kernels of the same type from different plants cross-fertilization should be used, the crop being gradually purified by selection.

"While the maize plant, as a rule, is not self-fertilized—that is, as a general thing the pollen from one plant fertilizes the silk of another—yet in very many cases the pollen and silk upon the same plant are synchronous, and self-fertilization becomes possible and undoubtedly is of frequent occurrence. The pollen ripens from below upwards, and thus the fall of the pollen, through the successive ripening of the blooms, may last for three or four days, and there is a great variation in period of blooming as between individual plants. The silk maintains its receptivity for pollen for some little time, but for how long a period we do not yet know from direct observation. It seems, however, true that closely following pollenation the silk loses its transparent structure and begins to shrivel, while before pollenation is effected the silk retains its succulency for several days."

Superstition.

Edison, says a companion, was one of the most superstitious men I ever knew. He would always study with the same coat on—a ragged, torn, old velveteen jacket without a button—because it gave him luck, he said. He had a mortal aversion to cats and swore that they were responsible for every mistake he ever made. I have known him to walk two blocks out of his way to avoid seeing an old pussy that used to sit contentedly on the front door-step of a house that was on his way home. He used to seriously talk of inventing an electric machine to kill them with, and for all I know he has, for there isn't a thing that Tom Edison wanted to do with machinery that he couldn't do.

FAITH is sometimes personified as a drenched female clinging to a sea-washed rock; but a better personification would be a bald-headed man buying a bottle of patent hair restorer.

MARKET NOTES.

NEW YORK MARKET.

The Wholesale New York market quotations show:

BEANS—Prime, $4.40@$4.50; fair to good, $2.70@$2.75 per bushel.

BUTTER—New York sold at 41@42c. for choice in pails, and 18@19c. common to good. Western Creamery sold at 36@38c., and the common Western at 17@18c.

CHEESE—Factory fancy, 13@13½c; do. fair to good, 10@12½c.

EGGS—Quotations ranged from 31c. for ordinary, to 33½c. for New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

FLOUR—Superfine, $2.80@$3.35; Western, $3.9-@$7.00; extra New York, $3.80@$6.00.

HAY—Shipping, 50@55c.; clover, 45@50c., salt, 60c; straw, 50@55c.

HOPS—New York, 25@26c.; Eastern, 20@25c; yearlings, 20@25c; olds, — @ —.

PETROLEUM—Refined, 7⅝c; crude, 6⅞@7⅜c in bulk; in barrels, 8⅝c; naphtha, 6⅞c. in shipping order, and 11½@12c. in cases.

PORK—Clear back, $17.37½@$18.50; dressed hogs, 7½@7⅞c.

WHEAT—Spring No. 3, $1.02@$1.06; Milwaukee, No. 2, $1.05; amber, $1.32@$2.40; white, $1.11@$1.12.

CORN—Ungraded Western Mixed, 48@65c; Steamer Mixed, 60@60½c. in elevator, 63c. delivered; No. 2, 63½@64c. in elevator, 64@65 delivered; White Southern, 67c. delivered.

RYE—State, 71½@75½c.

WOOL—Ohio, Pennsylvania and Virginia, xxx, 45@46c.; xx, 42@44c.; x, 42@43c.; No. 1, 45@47c.; No. 2, 38@40c.; common, 33@35c.; New York and Western xx and x, 39@45½c.; No. 1, 44@45c.

PHILADELPHIA MARKET.

FLOUR—State family, ——@$5.00; rye flour $3.50@$3.75; wheat, State, $—@$1.12 amber, $1.43; corn, yellow, 55c.; mixed States 62c.

PETROLEUM—Refined, 7⅝c.; crude, 6¼c.

WOOL—State and Western xx, 46@50c.; x, 47@48c.; medium, 50@51c.; coarse, 45c.

BOSTON MARKET.

FLOUR—From $3.00@$3.50 for low and medium, to $4.25@5.75 for choice Minnesota. Corn, 70@72c. for mixed and yellow.

BUTTER—Common, 18c.@22c.; Vermont dairy, 24@30c.; choice creamery, 33@36c.

CHEESE—12@13c.

BEANS—$3.20@$3.25.

HAY—Choice, $15@$16.

CATTLE MARKETS.

BUFFALO.—Cattle, good quality, $6.65@$7.00; hogs, fair to good, $6.20@$6.30; best, $6.75.

EAST LIBERTY, PENN.—Best cattle, $6.25@$6.75; medium to good, $5.25@$6.00; common to fair, $5.00@$6.00. Hogs, Yorkers, $5.90@$6.10; Philadelphias, $6.30@$6.60. Sheep, $5.25@$6.50.

WATERTOWN, MASS.—Cattle, choice, $—@$10.25; extra, $8.00@$9.00; first quality, $7.00@$7.50; second quality, $5.00@$6.50; third quality, $4.00@$4.50. Sheep and lambs—wool sheep, $2.50@$4.75. extra, $5.00@$5.75; spring lambs, 5@6⅞c. Veal calves, 3½c@7½c.

England's India.

British journals bring interesting details of the industrial census of India in 1881. The total population of the country is 253,891,821, and of this enormous number only 85,544 persons are British-born subjects, and 56,646 are soldiers and 12,088 females. Practically less than 17,000 male civilians, wielding an army of 56,000 men, control the vast empire. The whole number of Europeans returned is only 146,612. The occupations of 102,629,000 persons are defined, and of these 71,199,000 are engaged in agriculture or the care of animals. In industrial occupations 21,-041,000 persons are engaged, 12,859,000 males and 8,182,000 females. The workers in cotton and flax number 5,485,455; in clothing, 2,815,280; in vegetable food, 3,165,429; in stone, clay and earthenware, 1,850,974; in houses and buildings, 836,453; in gums and resins, 762,526; in bamboo, cane, rush, straw and leaves, 680,732; in gold, silver and precious stones, 472,956; and in iron and steel only 473,361. Engaged in the work of government, national, local and municipal, are 1,843,000 persons, of whom 315,000 are classed as belonging to the army. The professional classes embrace 1,451,000 persons. It is interesting to notice how widely the proportion of persons engaged in these several departments in India differs from that which prevails in western nations.

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The Widow's Mite.

In compliance with your request I send you a statement of my case. I will write you with a double purpose, first to thank you for the great amount of good your medicine, Hunt's Remedy, has done me, and second y, with the hope that my recovery will induce some sufferer to do as I did, "use the great specific and be cured." For nearly a whole year I was an invalid, unable to go out of the house, and a great part of the time confined to my bed, a living, powerless subject of the most dreadful of all diseases—kidney complaint. From the long suffering I became weak from the loss of strength, with a lack of vitality and very much reduced in flesh. All this time I was taking various medicines, and under the care of our family doctor, and not receiving a particle of help. I had almost despaired of getting well when my attention was called to Hunt's Remedy by a boarder in my family. I commenced taking it (unknown to the doctor) with but little hopes of relief. This non-belief was soon expelled, however, as I daily began to improve. I continued the use of Hunt's Remedy (and to make a long story short), used eight bottles, dispensed with the doctor, and to the surprise of all who knew me, and my own great satisfaction, became as well as ever. All pains and aches vanished, appetite returned, gained strength and flesh, and to-day consider myself as well as ever, and only too glad to place my testimony with that of many others.

That your medicine, Hunt's Remedy, brought me from a sick bed I well know, and many people who know of my condition pronounce my cure almost miraculous. I am happy to say I am enjoying excellent health, thanks to your valuable medicine, Hunt's Remedy. MRS. L. W. CLARK,

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Hartford, Conn., May 21, 1883.

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Prof. Chemistry, University of Vermont.

IN another column will be found the advertisement of the FARM, FIELD AND FIRESIDE, offering $50,000 in presents to new subscribers. This publication ranks among the best and handsomest of family and agricultural papers, and its proprietors are fully able to carry out any offer they may make. An award of forty thousand dollars was made in December to its subscribers, all of which was carried out as shown by the names and addresses, in the advertisement, of some of the receivers.

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The Red Sunsets, Cyclones and Earthquakes Foretelling Coming Disaster—How to Meet It.

The recent mysterious appearances following sunset and preceding sunrise have attracted wide attention from students of the skies and the people generally. During the days of recent weeks the sun seems to have been obscured by a thin veil of a dull leaden hue which, as the sun receded toward the horizon, became more luminous, then yellow, then orange, then red; and, as night settled down upon the earth, a dull purple. At first it was thought these appearances were ordinary sunset reflections of light, but it is now pretty certain that they are either the misty substance of the tail of some unseen comet, in which the earth is enveloped, or a surrounding stratum of world dust or very small meteors. Professor Brooks, of the Red House Observatory, Phelps, New York, has turned his telescope upon those objects and discovered what he thinks are myriads of telescopic meteors. If it is uncrganized world dust, or decomposed vapors, as the *Democrat and Chronicle*, of Rochester, N. Y., remarks: "How is this matter to be disposed of? Will it settle and form a deposit upon the earth, or remain a partial opaque shell about the earth to cut off a portion of the sun's light upon it?"

Whatever the mystery is, there is no denying that some very strange forces are at work in the upper airs. The terrible tornadoes and cyclones which have swept our own country, and the fearful volcanoes and earthquakes which have destroyed so many cities and thousands of people—the tidal waves which mysteriously rise and fall on coasts hitherto unvexed by them—the tremendous activity which is evident in the sun by the constant revelation of enormous spots upon its surface—all indicate unusual energy in the heavenly bodies.

These circumstances recall Professor Grimmer's prophecies, that from 1881 to 1887, the passage of the five great planets—Mars, Neptune, Jupiter, Uranus and Saturn—around the sun would produce strange and wonderful phenomena. He says: "The waters of the earth will become more or less poisonous. The air will be foul with noisome odors. Ancient races will disappear from the earth." He attempts to prove his prophecy by the fact that in 1720, when Mars and Saturn made their passage around the sun coincidentally, great destruction and mortality visited all parts of the globe. He also found the same results in previous perihelion passages of the planets, and argues that these circumstances always produce epidemics and destructive diseases which will baffle the skill of the most eminent physicians; that the poor will die by thousands, the weak and intemperate falling first, those whose blood has been impoverished by excess of work or dissipation next, and only those who are in comparative vigor shall escape to enjoy the era of renewed activity and prosperity which will follow the period of destruction.

Insmuch as the entire world seems subject to the sway of the heavenly bodies no part of the earth, he thinks, can escape scourging. He even predicts that America will lose over ten millions of people; that the farmers will be stricken with fear and cease to till the soil: that famine will make human misery more wretched. That hundreds will flee to overcrowded cities for aid in vain. That sudden changes in ocean currents, temperature and surroundings will entirely transform the face of nature and climate of countries; that the air will be so foul with malaria and other noxious gases, that those who survive will be troubled with disorders of the digestive organs. That many who escape other ills will bloat with dropsy and suddenly pass away, while others will grow thin and drag out a miserable existence in indescribable agony for weeks. Neuralgic pains in different parts of the body will torment them. They will easily tire and become despondent. A faint, hot feeling will be succeeded by chilly sensations while hallucinations and dread of impending ill will paralyze all effort. "The birds in the air, the beasts of the field and even the fish of the sea will become diseased, poisoning the air and poisoning the waters of the globe." We are told on the other hand that those who shall pass through this period of trial will have larger enjoyment of life and health. The earth will yield more abundantly than ever before. The animal kingdom will be more prolific and life prolonged very materially. This prolongation of life will be owing to the healthy electric and magnetic influences that will pervade the atmosphere. It would perhaps seem that the present redness of the sun, and the presence of a belt or veil of cosmic matter, justified, in a measure, the prediction of Professor Grimmer, but disturbing as his prediction may be we are told for our comfort that the strong and pure blooded need have little to fear in these calamities, that those who are delicate or indisposed should adopt means to keep the system well supported and the blood pure, and that the most philosophical and effective method of accomplishing this is to keep the kidneys and liver in good condition. From the testimonials of such men as Dr. Dio Lewis and Professor R. A. Gunn, M. D., Dean of the United States Medical College, New York, and thousands of influential non-professional people, it seems almost certain that for this purpose there is no preparation known to science equal to Warner's Safe Cure, better known as Warner's Safe Kidney and Liver Cure. This medicine has acquired the finest reputation of any preparation that was ever put upon the market. It is a radical blood purifier, which soothes and heals all inflamed organs, strengthens the nervous system, washes out all evidences of decay, regulates digestion, prevents malassimilation of food in a philosophical and rational manner, fortifies the system against climatic changes and malaria influences and the destructive agencies which seem to be so abundant in these "evil days."

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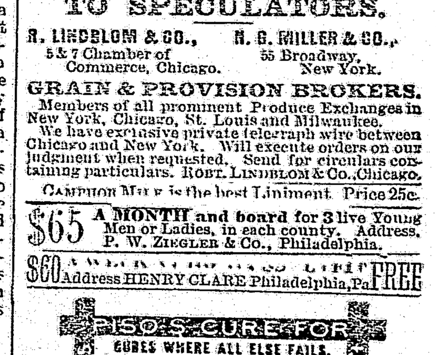
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